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## House of Representatives

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HOLDING).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
September 19, 2016.

I hereby appoint the Honorable GEORGE HOLDING to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

PAUL D. RYAN,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

Reverend Michael Wilker, Church of the Reformation, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

God of earth and air, water and fire, height and depth, we pray for those who work in danger, who rush in to bring hope and help and comfort when others flee to safety, whose mission is to seek and save, serve and protect, and whose presence embodies the protection of the Good Shepherd.

Thank you for the first responders in each community including the United States Capitol Police. Give them caution and concern for one another, so that in safety they may do what must be done under Your watchful eye.

Support them in their courage and dedication that they may continue to save lives, ease pain, and mend the torn fabric of lives and social order.

In the spirit of justice, love, and humility we pray.

Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR OF COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Chair of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure; which was read and, without objection, referred to the Committee on Appropriations:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE,

Washington, DC, September 14, 2016.

Hon. PAUL RYAN,  
*Speaker of the House, House of Representatives,  
The Capitol, Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: On September 14, 2016, pursuant to section 3307 of Title 40, United States Code, the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure met in open session to consider 20 resolutions included in the General Services Administration's Capital Investment and Leasing Programs.

The Committee continues to work to reduce the cost of federal property and leases. Of the 20 resolutions considered, the four construction projects include federal courthouses consistent with existing funding, and the 16 lease prospectuses include significant reductions of leased space. In total, these resolutions represent \$154 million in avoided lease costs and offsets.

I have enclosed copies of the resolutions adopted by the Committee on Transpor-

tation and Infrastructure on September 14, 2016.

Sincerely,

BILL SHUSTER,  
*Chairman.*

Enclosures.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION  
LEASE—INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, AUSTIN, TX

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized for a lease of up to 219,000 rentable square feet of space for the Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Service National Office currently located at 1821 Director's Boulevard in Austin, Texas at a proposed total annual cost of \$8,103,000 for a lease term of up to 15 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.*

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to the execution of the new lease.

*Provided that, the Administrator of General Services and tenant agencies agree to apply an overall utilization rate of 190 square feet or less per person, except that, if the Administrator determines that the overall utilization rate cannot be achieved, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.*

*Provided that, except for interim leases as described above, the Administrator may not enter into any leases that are below prospectus level for the purposes of meeting any of the requirements, or portions thereof, included in the prospectus that would result in an overall utilization rate of 190 square feet or higher per person.*

*Provided that, to the maximum extent practicable, the Administrator shall include in the lease contract(s) a purchase option.*

*Provided further, that the Administrator shall require that the delineated area of the procurement is identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, except that, if the Administrator determines that the delineated area of the procurement should not be identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives*

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prior to exercising any lease authority pro- *Provided further*, that the General Services other agency the authority granted by this  
vided in this resolution. Administration shall not delegate to any resolution.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE  
AUSTIN, TX**

Prospectus Number: PTX-01-AU17  
Congressional District: 35

**Executive Summary**

The General Services Administration (GSA) proposes a lease of approximately 219,000 rentable square feet (RSF) of space for the Department of the Treasury - Internal Revenue Service (IRS) National Office, currently located in leased space at 1821 Director's Boulevard in Austin, TX.

The lease will provide continued housing for IRS and will improve office and overall space utilization rates (UR) from 129 to 125 usable square feet (USF) per person and from 197 to 190 USF per person, respectively.

**Description**

Occupant:	Internal Revenue Service
Current Rentable Square Feet (RSF)	206,000 (Current RSF/USF = 1.08)
Estimated Maximum RSF:	219,000 (Proposed RSF/USF = 1.15)
Expansion/Reduction RSF:	None
Current Usable Square Feet/Person:	197
Estimated Usable Square Feet/Person:	190
Proposed Maximum Lease Term:	15 Years
Expiration Dates of Current Leases:	4/30/18
Delineated Area:	Delineated area bounded by: North - E. Ben White Blvd South - E. William Cannon Dr. to McKinney Falls Pkwy to State Hwy 183 East - Hwy 183 West - I-35
Number of Official Parking Spaces:	0
Scoring:	Operating lease
Estimated Rental Rate <sup>1</sup> :	\$37.00/RSF
Estimated Total Annual Cost <sup>2</sup> :	\$8,103,000

<sup>1</sup>This estimate is for fiscal year 2017 and may be escalated by 1.95 percent annually to the effective date of the lease to account for inflation. The proposed rental rate is fully serviced including all operating expenses whether paid by the lessor or directly by the Government. GSA will conduct the procurement using prevailing market rental rates as a benchmark for the evaluation of competitive offers and as a basis for negotiating with offerors to ensure that lease award is made in the best interest of the Government.

<sup>2</sup>New leases may contain an escalation clause to provide for annual changes in real estate taxes and operating costs.

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Current Total Annual Cost:	\$4,422,000 (Lease effective 5/01/2008)
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**Acquisition Strategy**

In order to maximize the flexibility in acquiring space to house IRS, GSA may issue a single, multiple-award solicitation that will allow offerors to provide blocks of space able to meet requirements in whole or in part. All offers must provide space consistent with the delineated area defined by this prospectus.

**Justification**

The IRS has a long-term need for space in southeast Austin to meet the agency mission of providing toll-free tax assistance, collection services, and post-processing compliance examinations of individual tax returns, and has a need to remain near the main IRS Submission Processing Campus and other nearby IRS facilities located in Austin.

**Summary of Energy Compliance**

GSA will incorporate energy efficiency requirements into the Request for Lease Proposals and other documents related to the procurement of space based on the approved prospectus. GSA encourages offerors to exceed minimum requirements set forth in the procurement and to achieve an Energy Star performance rating of 75 or higher.

**Resolutions of Approval**

Resolutions adopted by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works approving this prospectus will constitute approval to make appropriations to lease space in a facility that will yield the required rentable area.

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**Interim Leasing**

GSA will execute such interim leasing actions as are necessary to ensure continued housing of the tenant agency prior to the effective date of the new lease. It is in the best interest of the Government to avert the financial risk of holdover tenancy.

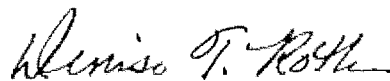
**Certification of Need**

The proposed lease is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.

Submitted at Washington, DC, on August 25, 2016



Recommended: \_\_\_\_\_  
Commissioner, Public Buildings Service



Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Administrator, General Services Administration

August 2015

Housing Plan  
Internal Revenue Service

PTX-01-AU17  
Austin, TX

Leased Locations	CURRENT						ESTIMATED/PROPOSED					
	Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF) <sup>1</sup>				Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF)			
	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total
1821 Director's Blvd			160,349		30,352	190,701						
Estimated/Proposed Lease									160,349		30,352	190,701
<b>Total</b>	<b>969</b>	<b>969</b>	<b>160,349</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>30,352</b>	<b>190,701</b>	<b>1,002</b>	<b>1,002</b>	<b>160,349</b>		<b>30,352</b>	<b>190,701</b>

Office Utilization Rate (UR) <sup>2</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	129	125

UR=average amount of office space per person  
Current UR excludes 35,277 usf of office support space  
Proposed UR excludes 35,277 usf of office support space

Overall UR <sup>3</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	197	190

R/U Factor <sup>4</sup>			
	Total USF	RSF/USF	Max RSF
Current	190,701	1.08	206,000
Estimated/Proposed	190,701	1.15	219,000

Special Space	USF
Conference/Training	11,695
Food Service	6,953
Storage/Mail Room/Copier	5,603
ADP	3,097
Reception/Lobby/Security	2,116
Health Unit	578
Credit Union	310
<b>Total</b>	<b>30,352</b>

NOTES:

<sup>1</sup>USF means the portion of the building available for use by a tenant's personnel and furnishings and space available jointly to the occupants of the building.

<sup>2</sup>Calculation excludes Judiciary, Congress and agencies with less than 10 people

<sup>3</sup>USF/Person = housing plan total USF divided by total personnel.

<sup>4</sup>R/U Factor = Max RSF divided by total USF

This facility houses employees that work in two or more shifts. The current and proposed population reflects the maximum employees in any one shift. A total of 1342 employees are currently assigned to this location.

## COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

LEASE—INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, FRESNO,  
CA

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives*, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized for a lease of up to 196,000 rentable square feet of space, including 800 parking spaces, for the Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Service currently located at 855 M Street and 1325 Broadway Street in Fresno, California at a proposed total annual cost of \$6,860,000 for a lease term of up to 15 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to the execution of the new lease.

*Provided that*, the Administrator of General Services and tenant agencies agree to apply an overall utilization rate of 129 square feet or less per person, except that, if the Administrator determines that the overall utilization rate cannot be achieved, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided that*, except for interim leases as described above, the Administrator may not enter into any leases that are below prospectus level for the purposes of meeting any of the requirements, or portions thereof, included the prospectus that would result in an overall utilization rate of 129 square feet or higher per person.

*Provided that*, to the maximum extent practicable, the Administrator shall include in the lease contract(s) a purchase option.

*Provided further*, that the Administrator shall require that the delineated area of the procurement is identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, except that, if the Administrator determines that the delineated area of the procurement should not be identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided further*, that the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE  
FRESNO, CA**

Prospectus Number: PCA-01-FR17  
Congressional District: 16

**Executive Summary**

The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) proposes a lease for approximately 196,000 rentable square feet (RSF) of space to house support activities for the Department of the Treasury - Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Compliance Services and Identity Theft Divisions, currently located at 855 M Street and 1325 Broadway Street in Fresno, CA.

The proposed lease will enable the IRS to provide continued housing, as well as provide more modern, streamlined, and efficient operations for these divisions. It will improve space utilization, as the office utilization rate will improve from 89 to 70 usable square feet (USF) per person, and the overall utilization rate from 164 to 129 USF per person, resulting in the IRS being housed in approximately 34,422 RSF less space than it has at the current locations to be replaced. In the absence of this reduction, the status quo cost of continued occupancy at the proposed market rental rate would be \$8,064,770 per year.

**Description**

Occupant:	Internal Revenue Service
Current Rentable Square Feet (RSF)	230,422 (Current RSF/USF = 1.06)
Estimated Maximum RSF:	196,000 (Proposed RSF/USF = 1.15 )
Expansion/Reduction RSF:	34,422 (Reduction)
Current Usable Square Feet/Person:	164
Estimated Usable Square Feet/Person:	129
Proposed Maximum Lease Term:	15 Years
Expiration Dates of Current Lease:	11/30/2018 and 10/03/2018
Delineated Area:	City of Fresno CBA – North: Divisadero Street South: Highway CA-41 East: R Street West: H Street to Stanislaus Street to Highway CA-99
Number of Parking Spaces <sup>1</sup> :	800
Scoring:	Operating lease
Estimated Rental Rate <sup>2</sup> :	\$35.00 / RSF

<sup>1</sup>The parking requirement includes 799 parking spaces for IRS employees due to shift work at this location.

<sup>2</sup>This estimate is for fiscal year 2017 and may be escalated by 1.95 percent annually to the effective date of the lease to account for inflation. The proposed rental rate is fully serviced including all operating expenses whether paid by the lessor or directly by the Government. GSA will conduct the procurement



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INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE  
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Estimated Total Annual Cost <sup>3</sup> :	\$6,860,000
Current Total Annual Cost:	\$8,372,946 (Leases effective 12/01/2003 and 10/04/2003)

**Justification**

The proposed lease will house the Compliance Services Division and the recently created Identity Theft Division whose functions include Automated Underreporting and the Automated Collection System (ACS) Call Site. The new Identity Theft Division will benefit from the co-location of meeting, training and support services used to support the IRS's critical annual processing and enforcement efforts. Consistent with the goals of IRS's Fresno Campus Master Plan, this consolidation allows the IRS to operate efficiently, have space flexibility that will accommodate its changing operational needs, optimize use of space, and reduce the overall cost of operations.

**Summary of Energy Compliance**

GSA will incorporate energy efficiency requirements into the Request for Lease Proposals and other documents related to the procurement of space based on the approved prospectus. GSA encourages offerors to exceed minimum requirements set forth in the procurement and to achieve an Energy Star performance rating of 75 or higher.

**Resolutions of Approval**

Resolutions adopted by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works approving this prospectus will constitute approval to make appropriations to lease space in a facility that will yield the required rentable area.

**Interim Leasing**

GSA will execute such interim leasing actions as are necessary to ensure continued housing of the tenant agency prior to the effective date of the new lease. It is in the best interest of the Government to avert the financial risk of holdover tenancy.

using prevailing market rental rates as a benchmark for the evaluation of competitive offers and as a basis for negotiating with offerors to ensure that lease award is made in the best interest of the Government.

<sup>3</sup>New leases may contain an escalation clause to provide for annual changes in real estate taxes and operating costs.

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INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE  
FRESNO, CA**

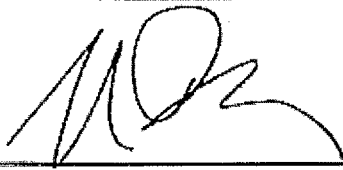
Prospectus Number: PCA-01-FR17  
Congressional District: 16

**Certification of Need**

The proposed lease is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.

Submitted at Washington, DC, on August 29, 2016

Recommended: \_\_\_\_\_



Commissioner, Public Buildings Service

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_



Administrator, General Services Administration

November 2015

Housing Plan  
Internal Revenue Service

PCA-01-FR17  
Fresno, CA

Leased Locations	CURRENT						ESTIMATED/PROPOSED					
	Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF) <sup>1</sup>				Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF)			
	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total
1325 Broadway	1,078	1,078	118,868	-	52,340	171,208						
855 M Street	393	393	31,925		14,246	46,171						
Estimated/Proposed Lease							1,326	1,326	118,239	-	52,761	171,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,326</b>	<b>1,326</b>	<b>150,793</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>66,586</b>	<b>217,379</b>	<b>1,326</b>	<b>1,326</b>	<b>118,239</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>52,761</b>	<b>171,000</b>

Office Utilization Rate (UR) <sup>2</sup>		
Rate	Current	Proposed
	89	70

UR=average amount of office space per person  
 Current UR: excludes 33,174 usf of office support space  
 Proposed UR excludes 26,013 usf of office support space

Overall UR <sup>3</sup>		
Rate	Current	Proposed
	164	129

R/U Factor <sup>4</sup>			
	Total USF	RSF/USF	Max RSF
Current	217,379	1.06	230,422
Estimated/Proposed	171,000	1.15	196,000

Special Space	USF
Break Rooms	3,200
Storage	10,240
File Room	11,760
Conference / Training Rooms	18,977
Health Unit	766
Cafeteria	4,218
Telephone Closets/Room	3,600
<b>Total</b>	<b>52,761</b>

NOTES:

<sup>1</sup>USF means the portion of the building available for use by a tenant's personnel and furnishings and space available jointly to the occupants of the building.

<sup>2</sup>Calculation excludes Judiciary, Congress and agencies with less than 10 people

<sup>3</sup>USF/Person = housing plan total USF divided by total personnel.

<sup>4</sup>R/U Factor = Max RSF divided by total USF

This facility houses employees that work in two or more shifts. The current and proposed population reflects the maximum employees in any one shift. A total of 1471 employees are currently assigned to this location.

## COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

LEASE—U.S. INTERNATIONAL TRADE  
COMMISSION, WASHINGTON, DC

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized for a lease of up to 207,000 rentable square feet of space, including 2 official parking spaces, for the U.S. International Trade Commission currently located at 500 E Street, SW in Washington, D.C. at a proposed total annual cost of \$9,315,000 for a lease term of up to 15 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.*

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to the execution of the new lease.

*Provided that, the Administrator of General Services and tenant agencies agree to apply an overall utilization rate of 343 square feet or less per person, except that, if the Administrator determines that the overall utilization rate cannot be achieved, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.*

*Provided that, except for interim leases as described above, the Administrator may not enter into any leases that are below prospectus level for the purposes of meeting any of the requirements, or portions thereof, included in the prospectus that would result in an overall utilization rate of 343 square feet or higher per person.*

*Provided that, to the maximum extent practicable, the Administrator shall include in the lease contract(s) a purchase option.*

*Provided further, that the Administrator shall require that the delineated area of the procurement is identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, except that, if the Administrator determines that the delineated area of the procurement should not be identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.*

*Provided further, that the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.*

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
U.S. INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number PDC-03-WA16

**Executive Summary**

The General Services Administration (GSA) proposes a lease for approximately 207,000 rentable square feet (rsf) for the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC), currently located at 500 E Street, SW, Washington, DC.

The lease will provide continued housing for ITC and will maintain its existing office utilization rate of 157 usable square feet per person and an overall utilization rate of 343 square feet per person.

**Description**

Occupant:	U.S. International Trade Commission
Current Rentable Square Feet (RSF)	207,000 (Current RSF/USF = 1.17)
Estimated Maximum RSF:	207,000 (Proposed RSF/USF = 1.17)
Expansion/Reduction RSF:	None
Current Usable Square Feet/Person:	343
Estimated Usable Square Feet/Person:	343
Proposed Maximum Lease Term:	15 Years
Expiration Dates of Current Leases:	8/10/2017
Delineated Area:	Washington, DC bounded by - North: L Street, NW over to Massachusetts Avenue, NW over to North Capitol Street South: Southwest Freeway East: North and South Capitol Streets West: 15 <sup>th</sup> Street, SW/NW
Number of Official Parking Spaces:	2
Scoring:	Operating lease
Estimated Rental Rate <sup>1</sup> :	\$45.00/ RSF
Estimated Total Annual Cost <sup>2</sup> :	\$9,315,000
Current Total Annual Cost:	\$8,750,447 (Lease effective 8/09/1997)

<sup>1</sup>This estimate is for fiscal year 2017 and may be escalated by 1.95 percent annually to the effective date of the lease to account for inflation. The proposed rental rate is fully serviced including all operating expenses whether paid by the lessor or directly by the Government. GSA will conduct the procurement using prevailing market rental rates as a benchmark for negotiating this lease to ensure that lease award is made in the best interest of the Government.

<sup>2</sup>New leases may contain an escalation clause to provide for annual changes in real estate taxes and operating costs.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
U.S. INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number PDC-03-WA16

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**Background**

ITC is an independent, quasi-judicial Federal agency with broad investigative responsibilities on matters of trade. The agency investigates the effects of dumped and subsidized imports on domestic industries and conducts global safeguard investigations. The Commission also adjudicates cases involving imports that infringe on intellectual property rights. Through such proceedings, the agency facilitates a rules-based international trading system. ITC also serves as a Federal resource where trade data and other trade policy-related information is gathered and analyzed. The information and analysis is provided to the President, the Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) and Congress to facilitate the development of sound and informed U.S. trade policy. ITC makes most of its information and analysis available to the public to promote understanding of international trade issues.

**Justification**

ITC is currently housed at 500 E Street, SW, in Washington, DC. The current lease expires on August 10, 2017, and ITC requires continued housing for 517 personnel currently working in this location to carry out its mission. The current lease includes a Public Courtroom Complex including a Main Hearing Room and three courtrooms. This Complex provides the necessary space for hearing claims of unfair trade from domestic industries and adjudicating patent infringement and intellectual property claims brought by intellectual property owners.

GSA will consider whether ITC's continued housing needs should be satisfied in the existing location based on an analysis of other potential locations within the delineated area. If other potential locations are identified, a cost-benefit analysis will be conducted to determine whether the Government can expect to recover the relocation and duplication costs of the real and personal property needed for ITC to accomplish its mission. The future lease will maintain ITC's existing office and overall utilization rates.

**Summary of Energy Compliance**

GSA will incorporate energy efficiency requirements into the Request for Lease Proposals and other documents related to the procurement of space based on the approved prospectus. GSA encourages offerors to exceed minimum requirements set forth in the procurement and to achieve an Energy Star performance rating of 75 or higher.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
U.S. INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number PDC-03-WA16

**Resolutions of Approval**

Resolutions adopted by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works approving this prospectus will constitute approval to make appropriations to lease space in a facility that will yield the required rentable area.

**Interim Leasing**

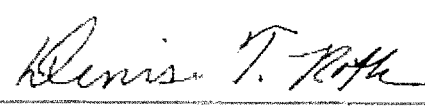
GSA will execute such interim leasing actions as are necessary to ensure continued housing of the tenant agency prior to the effective date of the lease. It is in the best interest of the Government to avert the financial risk of holdover tenancy.

**Certification of Need**

The proposed project is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.

Submitted at Washington, DC, on June 20, 2016

Recommended:   
Commissioner, Public Buildings Service

Approved:   
Administrator, General Services Administration

February 2016

Housing Plan  
International Trade Commission

PDC-03-WA16  
Washington, DC

Locations	CURRENT						ESTIMATED/PROPOSED					
	Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF) <sup>1</sup>				Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF)			
	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total
500 E Street, SW	517	517	104,318	2,911	70,315	177,544						
Estimated/Proposed Lease							517	517	104,318	2,911	70,315	177,544
<b>Total</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>104,318</b>	<b>2,911</b>	<b>70,315</b>	<b>177,544</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>104,318</b>	<b>2,911</b>	<b>70,315</b>	<b>177,544</b>

Office Utilization Rate (UR) <sup>2</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	157	157

UR = average amount of office space per person  
 Current UR excludes 22,392 usf of office support space  
 Proposed UR excludes 18,260 usf of office support space

Overall UR <sup>3</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	343	343

R/U Factor <sup>4</sup>	Total USF	RSF/USF	Max. RSF
Current	177,544	1.17	207,000
Estimated/Proposed	177,544	1.17	207,000

Special Space	USF
Active Record Management	3,177
ADP/Computer Room	3,734
Training Rooms	1,008
Conference Rooms	10,929
Public Courtrooms	23,288
Food Service	1,648
Law Libraries	12,670
Locker Room	746
Mail Room	1,056
SCIF	3,931
Coat Closet	220
Lactation Room	150
Union Office	753
Print Shop/Copy Room	7,005
<b>Total</b>	<b>70,315</b>

NOTES:

- <sup>1</sup> USF means the portion of the building available for use by a tenant's personnel and furnishings and space available jointly to the occupants of the building.
- <sup>2</sup> Calculation excludes Judiciary, Congress and agencies with less than 10 people
- <sup>3</sup> USF/Person = Excludes 23,288 usf Courtroom Complex
- <sup>4</sup> R/U Factor = Max RSF divided by total USF



## COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE, DES MOINES, IOWA

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized for the design and construction of a new courthouse of approximately 229,000 gross square feet, including approximately 42 parking spaces, in Des Moines, Iowa at a site cost of \$6,000,000, a design cost of \$9,571,000, a total estimated con-*

struction cost of \$114,969,000, and total management and inspection cost of \$6,062,000 at a total estimated project cost of \$136,602,000, for which a prospectus is attached to and included in this resolution.

*Provided, that the Administrator of General Services shall ensure that construction of the new courthouse complies, at a minimum, with courtroom sharing requirements adopted by the Judicial Conference of the United States.*

*Provided further, that the Administrator of General Services shall ensure that the construction of the new courthouse contains no more than nine courtrooms, including three for District Judges, two for Senior District Judges, two for Magistrate Judges and two for Bankruptcy Judges.*

*Provided further, that the design of the new courthouse shall not deviate from the U.S. Courts Design Guide.*

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**PROSPECTUS  
NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE  
DES MOINES, IOWA**

Prospectus Number: PIA-CTC-DM16  
Congressional District: 03

**FY 2016 Project Summary**

The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) proposes the acquisition of a site and the design and construction of a new U.S. Courthouse of approximately 229,000 gross square feet (GSF), including 42 inside parking spaces, in Des Moines, IA. GSA will construct the courthouse to meet the 10-year space needs of the court and court-related agencies and the site will accommodate the anticipated 30-year needs of the court. The Judiciary’s Courthouse Project Priorities list (approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States on September 17, 2015) includes a courthouse project in Des Moines, IA.

**FY 2016 House and Senate Committee Approval Requested**

(Site, Design, Construction, Management & Inspection).....\$136,602,000

**FY 2016 Funding (as outlined in the FY 2016 Spend Plan)**

(Site, Design, Construction, Management & Inspection).....\$136,602,000

**Overview of Project**

The courts and related agencies currently occupy space in the existing historic U.S. Courthouse in downtown Des Moines and in an adjacent leased Courthouse Annex. The new courthouse will consolidate all of the district court and court-related space into one facility, with the exception of the U.S. Department of Justice–Office of the U.S. Attorney, which will remain in leased space. The new courthouse will provide 9 courtrooms and 13 chambers consistent with the application of courtroom sharing policies and limitation on the provision of space for projected judgeships. The site for the new courthouse is still to be determined.

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PROSPECTUS  
NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE  
DES MOINES, IOWA

Prospectus Number: PIA-CTC-DM16  
Congressional District: 03

**Site Information**

To Be Acquired.....3-5 acres

**Building Area<sup>1</sup>**

Gross square feet (excluding inside parking)..... 210,000 GSF  
Gross square feet (including inside parking) ..... 229,000 GSF  
Inside parking spaces ..... 42

**Estimated Project Budget**

Estimated Site .....\$6,000,000  
Estimated Design .....\$9,571,000  
Estimated Construction Cost (ECC) (\$502/GSF, including inside parking) ..\$114,969,000  
Estimated Management and Inspection (M&I).....\$6,062,000  
Estimated Total Project Cost (ETPC)\*..... \$136,602,000<sup>2</sup>

\*Tenant agencies may fund an additional amount for alterations above the standard normally provided by the GSA.

**Schedule**

	Start	End
Design and Construction	FY 2016	FY 2022

**Tenant Agencies**

U.S. District Court, U.S. Court of Appeals, U.S. Probation Office, U.S. Pretrial Services, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, U.S. Department of Justice–Marshals Service, trial preparation space for both the Federal Public Defender and the Office of the U.S. Attorney, and GSA.

<sup>1</sup> Square footages and number of parking spaces are approximate. The project may contain a variance in gross square footage from that listed in this prospectus.

<sup>2</sup> As noted in the estimated project budget above, GSA identified sub-totals comprising the estimated project budget are intended to provide a breakdown in support of the ETPC. The actual total cost to perform the entire project may differ from what is represented in this prospectus by the various subcomponents.

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**PROSPECTUS  
NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE  
DES MOINES, IOWA**

Prospectus Number: PIA-CTC-DM16  
Congressional District: 03

**Justification**

The existing U.S. Courthouse, constructed in 1929, does not meet the U.S. Courts Design Guide standards, does not provide for future expansion, and lacks adequate security. The existing prisoner sallyport and secured elevator provide access to only half of the courtrooms. Due to lack of available space in the U.S. Courthouse, several court functions and court-related agencies currently occupy space in the leased Courthouse Annex. The District court and Bankruptcy court operations are split between the two buildings, also causing a split of U.S. Marshals Service operations. In addition, secured parking is only available in the leased Courthouse Annex, across a parking lot from the U.S. Courthouse.

The new courthouse will allow for co-location of court operations, separate circulation for the public, judges, and prisoners, thereby improving security as well as efficiency of court operations. Relocation of agencies from leased space to the new courthouse will result in savings of approximately \$1,795,000 in future annual lease payments to the private sector.

**Space Requirements of the U.S. Courts**

	Current		Proposed	
	Courtrooms	Judges	Courtrooms	Judges
District				
- Active	3	3	3	3
- Senior	1	5	2	4
-Visiting				1
Bankruptcy	2*	2*	2	2
Magistrate	2	2**	2	2**
Court of Appeals	0	1*	0	1
<b>Total:</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>13</b>

\*The Court of Appeals and Bankruptcy judges are currently in the leased Courthouse Annex.

\*\*In addition to the active Magistrate judges, a recalled Magistrate judge shares a courtroom and chambers.

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**PROSPECTUS  
NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE  
DES MOINES, IOWA**

Prospectus Number: PIA-CTC-DM16  
Congressional District: 03

**Summary of Energy Compliance**

This project will be designed to conform to requirements of the Facilities Standards for the Public Buildings Service and will implement strategies to meet the Guiding Principles for High Performance and Sustainable Buildings. GSA encourages design opportunities to increase energy and water efficiency above the minimum performance criteria.

**Future of Existing Federal Building<sup>3</sup>**

The Federal tenancy in Des Moines does not support the need for two courthouses; therefore, GSA will explore alternatives associated with the disposal of the existing courthouse. Some of these alternatives include donation or exchange.

**Prior Appropriations**

<b>Prior Appropriations</b>			
<b>Public Law</b>	<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Proposed Project</b>
114-113*	2016	\$136,602,000	Site, Design, ECC, M&I
<b>Appropriations to Date</b>		<b>\$136,602,000</b>	

\*Public Law 114-113 funded \$947,760,000 for new construction projects of the Federal Judiciary as prioritized in the Federal Judiciary Courthouse Project Priorities list, of which, Des Moines is included. GSA's Spend Plan describes each project to be undertaken with this funding. The FY 2016 need for Des Moines is \$136,602,000.

**Prior Committee Approvals**

<b>Prior Committee Approvals</b>			
NONE			

<sup>3</sup> This section is included to address recommendations in the following GAO Report: Federal Courthouses: Better Planning Needed Regarding Reuse of Old Courthouses (GAO-14-48).

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**PROSPECTUS  
NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE  
DES MOINES, IOWA**

Prospectus Number: PIA-CTC-DM16  
Congressional District: 03

**Prior Appropriations**

<b>Prior Appropriations</b>			
<b>Public Law</b>	<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Proposed Project</b>
114-113*	2016	\$136,602,000	Site, Design, ECC, M&I
<b>Appropriations to Date</b>		<b>\$136,602,000</b>	

\*Public Law 114-113 funded \$947,760,000 for new construction projects of the Federal Judiciary as prioritized in the Federal Judiciary Courthouse Project Priorities list, of which, Des Moines is included. GSA's Spend Plan describes each project to be undertaken with this funding. The FY 2016 need for Des Moines is \$136,602,000.

**Prior Committee Approvals**

<b>Prior Committee Approvals</b>			
NONE			

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**PROSPECTUS  
NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE  
DES MOINES, IOWA**

Prospectus Number: PIA-CTC-DM16  
Congressional District: 03

**Certification of Need**

The proposed project is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.

Submitted at Washington, DC, on JUN 16 2016

Recommended:   
Commissioner, Public Buildings Service

Approved:   
Administrator, General Services Administration

Housing Plan  
New U.S. Courthouse

Locations	CURRENT						PROPOSED					
	Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF) <sup>1</sup>				Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF)			
	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total
<b>Government Owned Locations</b>												
<b>New U.S. Courthouse</b>												
U.S. District Court (courtrooms/chambers)	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	21	3,174	1,578	37,636	42,388
U.S. Bankruptcy Court (courtrooms/chambers)	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	482	554	9,831	10,867
U.S. Bankruptcy - Clerk	-	-	-	-	-	-	26	26	5,831	3,056	1,112	9,999
Circuit Libraries	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	663	461	4,463	5,587
U.S. District Court - Grand Jury	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	961	-	472	1,433
U.S. District Court - Magistrate	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	891	554	10,386	11,831
U.S. District Court - Clerk	-	-	-	-	-	-	39	39	12,478	3,677	4,291	20,446
U.S. Probation Office / U.S. Pretrial Services Office	-	-	-	-	-	-	53	53	11,262	1,137	1,358	13,757
DOJ - U.S. Marshals Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	46	46	5,789	1,594	9,902	17,285
U.S. Court of Appeals	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	6	-	121	2,361	2,482
Court of Appeals - Central Legal Staff	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	759	156	494	1,409
GSA Public Buildings Service, Field Offices	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	220	-	-	220
Federal Public Defender	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	450	-	-	450
DOJ - Office of the U.S. Attorney	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,500	-	-	1,500
Joint Use	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	880	880
<b>Subtotal</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	212	212	44,460	12,888	83,186	140,534
<b>Des Moines U.S. Courthouse, 123 East Walnut</b>												
U.S. District Court (courtrooms/chambers)	19	19	4,401	-	20,623	25,024	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. District Court - Clerk	34	34	9,138	1061	1644	11,843	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. District Court - Magistrate	8	8	104	-	4,389	4,493	-	-	-	-	-	-
DOJ - U.S. Marshals Service	19	19	4,786	695	5,849	11,330	-	-	-	-	-	-
DOJ - Office of the U.S. Attorney	-	-	1,374	-	-	1,374	-	-	-	-	-	-
Federal Public Defender	-	-	526	-	-	526	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Subtotal</b>	80	80	20,329	1,756	32,505	54,590	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Lease Locations</b>												
<b>New Lease</b>												
DOJ - Office of the U.S. Attorney	-	-	-	-	-	-	53	53	25,159	-	-	25,159
<b>Subtotal</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	53	53	25,159	-	-	25,159
<b>Courthouse Annex</b>												
DOJ - Office of the U.S. Attorney	53	53	25,159	-	-	25,159	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. Bankruptcy Court (courtrooms/chambers)	8	8	11,780	-	-	11,780	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. Bankruptcy - Clerk	26	26	15,520	-	-	15,520	-	-	-	-	-	-
Circuit Libraries	2	2	7,940	-	-	7,940	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. Court of Appeals	6	6	3,605	-	-	3,605	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. Probation Office / U.S. Pretrial Services	49	49	9,766	-	-	9,766	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. District Court - Clerk	2	2	866	-	-	866	-	-	-	-	-	-
DOJ - U.S. Marshals Service	22	22	8,548	-	-	8,548	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Subtotal</b>	168	168	83,184	-	-	83,184	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	248	248	103,513	1,756	32,505	137,774	265	265	69,619	12,888	83,186	165,693

The project may contain a variance in gross square footage from that listed in this project upon measurement and review of the completed project.

Special Space	USF
Holding Cells	5,040
Sallyport	2,535
Physical Fitness	1,560
Restrooms	3,144
Conference Rooms	7,687
ADP	1,050
Courtrooms	31,674
Judicial Chambers	22,927
Food Service	2,225
Mail Room	1,012
Library	4,332
<b>Total</b>	<b>83,186</b>



## COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE, HARRISBURG, PA

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives*, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized for the design and construction of a new courthouse of approximately 243,000 gross square feet, including approximately 43 parking spaces, in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania at an additional design cost of \$5,336,000, a total estimated construction cost of \$155,353,000, and total esti-

mated management and inspection cost of \$7,755,000 at a total additional authorization of \$168,444,000 for a total estimated project cost, including prior authorizations, of \$194,444,000, for which a prospectus is attached to and included in this resolution. This resolution amends prior authorizations of July 24, 2002 and July 23, 2003.

*Provided*, that the Administrator of General Services shall ensure that construction of the new courthouse complies, at a minimum, with courtroom sharing requirements

adopted by the Judicial Conference of the United States.

*Provided further*, that the Administrator of General Services shall ensure that the construction of the new courthouse contains no more than eight courtrooms, including three for District Judges, two for Senior District Judges, two for Magistrate Judges and one for Bankruptcy Judges.

*Provided further*, that the design of the new courthouse shall not deviate from the U.S. Courts Design Guide.

**GSA**

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**PROSPECTUS  
NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE  
HARRISBURG, PA**

Prospectus Number: PPA-CTC-HA16  
Congressional District: 04

**FY 2016 Project Summary**

The General Services Administration (GSA) requests additional design funds in advance of construction of a new U.S. Courthouse of approximately 243,000 gross square feet (gsf), including 43 inside parking spaces, in Harrisburg, PA. The courthouse project that GSA proposes will construct a courthouse to meet the 10-year space needs of the court and court-related agencies, and the site will accommodate the anticipated 30-year needs of the court. The Judiciary’s Courthouse Project Priorities list (approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States on September 17, 2015) includes a courthouse project in Harrisburg, PA.

**FY 2016 House and Senate Committee Approval Requested**

**(Additional Design, Management and Inspection, Construction).....\$168,444,000<sup>1</sup>**

**FY 2016 Funding (as outlined in the FY 2016 Spend Plan)**

**(Additional Design, Construction).....\$29,510,000**

**Overview of Project**

The courts and related agencies currently occupy space in the existing Ronald Reagan Federal Building in downtown Harrisburg. The new courthouse will provide 8 courtrooms and 11 chambers consistent with the application of courtroom sharing policies and limitation on the provision of space for projected judgeships. The site for the new courthouse is at Sixth and Reily Streets in the Midtown section of Harrisburg. Several parcels of the proposed site have already been purchased with prior funding.

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<sup>1</sup> The estimated total project cost of \$194,444,000 includes \$26,000,000 funded in FY 2004 and additional design = \$5,336,000; a portion of the necessary construction = \$24,174,000 funded in FY 2016. The balance of the construction funding and management and inspection will be requested in a future fiscal year.

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**PROSPECTUS  
NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE  
HARRISBURG, PA**

Prospectus Number: PPA-CTC-HA16  
Congressional District: 04

**Site Information**

Acquired..... Approximately 2.15 acres  
To Be Acquired ..... Approximately 1.85 acres

**Building Area<sup>2</sup>**

Gross square feet (excluding inside parking)..... 224,000 gsf  
Gross square feet (including inside parking) ..... 243,000 gsf  
Inside parking spaces .....43

**Estimated Project Budget**

Site (FY 2004).....\$20,000,000  
Design (FY 2004) .....\$6,000,000  
Additional Design (FY 2016) .....\$5,336,000  
Estimated Construction Cost (ECC) (\$502/gsf including inside parking) .....\$155,353,000  
Estimated Management and Inspection (M&I).....\$7,755,000  
**Estimated Total Project Cost (ETPC)\*.....\$194,444,000<sup>3</sup>**

\*Tenant agencies may fund an additional amount for alterations above the standard normally provided by the GSA.

<sup>2</sup> Square footages are approximate. The project may contain a variance in gross square footage from that listed in this prospectus.

<sup>3</sup> GSA requests approval for an estimated total project cost. The subtotals comprising the estimated project budget are intended to provide a breakdown in support of the ETPC. The actual total cost to perform the entire project may differ than what is represented in this prospectus by the various subcomponents.

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**PROSPECTUS  
NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE  
HARRISBURG, PA**

Prospectus Number: PPA-CTC-HA16  
Congressional District: 04

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<u>Schedule</u>	<b>Start*</b>	<b>End</b>
Design	FY 2016	FY 2018
Construction	TBD	TBD

\*Design began in 2010 and proceeded to concepts. Design will restart upon approval of this prospectus.

**Tenant Agencies**

District Court, Court of Appeals, Probation Office, Bankruptcy Court, Department of Justice – Marshals Service, Department of Justice – Office of the U.S. Attorney, trial preparation space for the Federal Public Defender, and GSA.

**Justification**

The existing U.S. Courthouse, constructed in 1966, does not meet the United States Courts Design Guide standards, and lacks adequate security. The existing building configuration cannot provide secure travel for judges without traveling into common hallways. Due to lack of suitable expansion space in the Federal building, several courtrooms have been constructed with columns within the courtrooms, which blocks views of portions of some courtrooms.

The new courthouse will provide for a single location of court operations and separate circulation for the public, judges, and prisoners, thereby improving security as well as efficiency of court operations.

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**PROSPECTUS  
NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE  
HARRISBURG, PA**

Prospectus Number: PPA-CTC-HA16

Congressional District: 04

**Space Requirements of the U.S. Courts**

	Current		Proposed	
	Courtrooms	Judges	Courtrooms	Judges
District				
-Active	2	3	3	3
-Visiting	0	0	0	1
-Senior	2	2	2	4
Magistrate	1	2	2	2
Bankruptcy	1	1	1	1
<b>Total:</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>

**Summary of Energy Compliance**

This project will be designed to conform to requirements of the Facilities Standards for the Public Buildings Service and will implement strategies to meet the Guiding Principles for High Performance and Sustainable Buildings. GSA encourages design opportunities to increase energy and water efficiency above the minimum performance criteria.

**Future of Existing Federal Building<sup>4</sup>**

The existing Ronald Reagan Federal Building will be transferred out of the federally owned inventory upon occupancy of the new courthouse. GSA intends to proceed with established disposal processes to transfer the property after the remaining Federal tenants are relocated from the building into leased space.

<sup>4</sup> This section is included to address recommendations in the following GAO Report: Federal Courthouses: Better Planning Needed Regarding Reuse of Old Courthouses (GAO-14-48).

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**PROSPECTUS  
NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE  
HARRISBURG, PA**

Prospectus Number: PPA-CTC-HA16  
Congressional District: 04

**Prior Appropriations**

<b>Prior Appropriations</b>			
<b>Public Law</b>	<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Proposed Project</b>
108-199	2004	\$26,000,000	Site, Design
114-113*	2016	\$29,510,000	Additional Design, Construction
<b>Appropriations to Date</b>		<b>\$55,510,000</b>	

\*Public Law 114-113 funded \$947,760,000 for new construction projects of the Federal Judiciary as prioritized in the Federal Judiciary Courthouse Project Priorities (CPP) list, of which partial funding for Harrisburg is included. GSA's Spend Plan describes each project to be undertaken with this funding. The FY 2016 allocation for Harrisburg is \$29,510,000.

**Prior Committee Approvals**

<b>Prior Committee Approvals</b>			
<b>Committee</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Proposed Project</b>
House T&I	7/24/2002	\$18,677,000	Site and Design for 227,136 gsf; 35 inside parking spaces
Senate EPW	9/26/2002	\$18,677,000	Site and Design for 227,136 gsf; 35 inside parking spaces
House T&I	7/23/2003	\$7,005,000	Additional Site and Design for 262,970 gsf; 40 inside parking spaces
Senate EPW	6/23/2004	\$7,005,000	Additional Site and Design for 262,970 gsf; 40 inside parking spaces
<b>House Approvals to Date</b>		<b>\$25,682,000</b>	
<b>Senate Approvals to Date</b>		<b>\$25,682,000</b>	

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**PROSPECTUS  
NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE  
HARRISBURG, PA**

Prospectus Number: PPA-CTC-HA16  
Congressional District: 04

**Certification of Need**

The proposed project is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.

Submitted at Washington, DC, on August 19, 2016



Recommended: \_\_\_\_\_  
Commissioner, Public Buildings Service



Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Administrator, General Services Administration

Housing Plan  
New U.S. Courthouse

Locations	CURRENT						PROPOSED					
	Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF) <sup>1</sup>				Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF)			
	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total
<b>New U.S. Courthouse</b>												
U.S. District Court (courtrooms/chambers)	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	13	3,773	-	42,374	46,147
U.S. Bankruptcy Court (courtrooms/chambers)	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	422	-	4,831	5,253
U.S. Bankruptcy - Clerk	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	16	7,426	-	-	7,426
Circuit Libraries	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	5,503	5,503
U.S. District Court - Grand Jury	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,433	1,433
U.S. District Court - Magistrate	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4	2,168	-	9,663	11,831
U.S. District Court - Clerk	-	-	-	-	-	-	24	24	17,622	-	-	17,622
U.S. Probation Office	-	-	-	-	-	-	25	25	7,468	-	-	7,468
DOJ - U.S. Marshals Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	52	52	10,205	-	5,809	16,014
GSA Public Buildings Service, Field Offices	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	10	2,624	-	-	2,624
DOJ - Office of the U.S. Attorney	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	50	17,100	-	-	17,100
Federal Public Defender	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	450	-	-	450
DOJ - Office of U.S. Trustees	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	10	5,869	-	-	5,869
Joint Use	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,002	5,002
<b>Subtotal</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>208</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>75,127</b>	-	<b>74,615</b>	<b>149,742</b>
<b>Ronald Reagan Federal Building</b>												
U.S. District Court (courtrooms/chambers)	13	13	4,001	-	30,044	34,045	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. Bankruptcy Court (courtrooms/chambers)	2	2	585	-	4,616	5,201	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. Bankruptcy - Clerk	15	15	5,800	-	1,131	6,931	-	-	-	-	-	-
Circuit Libraries	2	2	3,639	-	-	3,639	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. District Court - Grand Jury	-	-	817	-	1,352	2,169	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. District Court - Magistrate	4	4	654	-	4,566	5,220	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. District Court - Clerk	24	24	7,972	-	797	8,769	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. Probation Office	25	25	7,984	-	913	8,897	-	-	-	-	-	-
DOJ - U.S. Marshals Service	50	50	8,292	-	4,465	12,757	-	-	-	-	-	-
GSA Public Buildings Service, Field Offices	10	10	2,345	2,617	331	5,293	-	-	-	-	-	-
DOJ - Office of the U.S. Attorney	50	50	15,064	318	1,724	17,106	-	-	-	-	-	-
DOJ - Office of US Trustees	10	10	5,278	-	176	5,454	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Federal Executive Agencies*	117	117	40,620	2,489	1,864	44,973	-	-	-	-	-	-
Joint Use	-	-	535	-	446	981	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vacant	-	-	334	179	-	513	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>103,920</b>	<b>5,603</b>	<b>52,425</b>	<b>161,948</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>New Lease*</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>117</b>	<b>117</b>	-	-	-	<b>TBD</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>103,920</b>	<b>5,603</b>	<b>52,425</b>	<b>161,948</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>75,127</b>	-	<b>74,615</b>	<b>149,742</b>

\* GSA to work with Federal Executive agencies to define requirements

Special Space	USF
Holding Cells	2,415
Sallyport/Elevator	1,050
Restrooms	480
Mailroom	1,853
Detention/interview	2,344
Courtrooms	26,553
Judicial Chambers	31,068
Food Service/Vending	3,349
Library	5,503
<b>Total</b>	<b>74,615</b>

The project may contain a variance in gross square footage from that listed in this project upon measurement and review of the completed project.



## COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE ANNEX ALTERATION—  
TOMOCHICHI FEDERAL BUILDING & COURT-  
HOUSE, SAVANNAH, GA

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives*, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized for the design and construction of an annex of approximately 46,000 gross square feet, including approximately 25 parking spaces, in Savannah, Georgia at a site and design cost of \$3,907,000, a total estimated construction cost of \$21,502,000, and total management and inspection cost of \$2,418,000 (minus prior authorizations of \$8,026,000) at a total addi-

tional authorization of \$19,801,000 for a total estimated project cost, including prior authorizations, of \$27,827,000 and the repair and alteration of the Tomochichi Federal Building and Courthouse located at 125 Bull Street in Savannah, Georgia, at a design cost of \$4,380,000, a total estimated construction cost of \$68,700,000, and total management and inspection cost of \$2,619,000 at a total estimated project cost of \$75,699,000, for which a prospectus is attached to and included in this resolution. This resolution amends prior authorizations of May 17, 1994, July 23, 2003, and November 5, 2009 and rescinds prior authorizations in the amount of \$51,254,000.

*Provided*, that the Administrator of General Services shall ensure that construction

of the new courthouse complies, at a minimum, with courtroom sharing requirements adopted by the Judicial Conference of the United States.

*Provided further*, that the Administrator of General Services shall ensure that the construction of the new courthouse annex and renovation of the existing courthouse, combined, contain no more than four courtrooms, including one for District Judges, one for Senior District Judges, one for Magistrate Judges and one for Bankruptcy Judges.

*Provided further*, that the design of the new courthouse annex shall not deviate from the U.S. Courts Design Guide.

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**PROSPECTUS  
 NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE ANNEX  
 ALTERATION – TOMOCHICHI FEDERAL BUILDING & COURTHOUSE  
 SAVANNAH, GA**

Prospectus Number: PGA-CTC-SA16  
 Congressional District: 1

**FY 2016 Project Summary**

The General Services Administration (GSA) proposes design and construction of an annex of approximately 46,000 gross square feet, including 25 inside parking spaces, and repair and alteration of the Tomochichi Federal Building and Courthouse (FB-CT) at 125 Bull Street in Savannah, GA. The project will meet the 10-year space needs of the court and court-related agencies, and the structure/site will allow for expansion to meet the anticipated 30-year needs of the court. The Judiciary’s Courthouse Project Priorities list (approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States on September 17, 2015) includes a courthouse project in Savannah, GA.

Through Public Law 111-117 (FY 2010), Congress appropriated \$7,900,000 for re-design of a new courthouse in Savannah to house the long-term needs of the U.S. District Court. GSA, in collaboration with the court, has determined that alteration of the Tomochichi FB-CT, in conjunction with the construction of a new courthouse annex, can meet the space requirements of the district and bankruptcy courts with the application of the Judiciary’s courtroom sharing policies and allowing for the continued occupation of the historic Tomochichi FB-CT.

**FY 2016 Committee Approval Requested**

(Annex – Design, Construction, Management & Inspection) .....	\$19,801,000
(Tomochichi FB-CT- Design, Construction, Management & Inspection) .....	<u>\$75,699,000</u>
(Design, Construction, Management & Inspection) .....	\$95,500,000 <sup>1</sup>

**FY 2016 Funding (as outlined in the FY 2016 Spend Plan)**

(Design, Construction, Management & Inspection) .....	\$95,500,000
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<sup>1</sup> Previous approvals for a courthouse project in Savannah included a different scope. Approval requested in this prospectus is for the new scope and funding including both construction of a new annex and renovation of the Tomochichi FB-CT.

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NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE ANNEX  
ALTERATION – TOMOCHICHI FEDERAL BUILDING & COURTHOUSE  
SAVANNAH, GA**

Prospectus Number: PGA-CTC-SA16  
Congressional District: 1

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**Overview of Project**

The 1899 Tomochichi FB-CT building is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. The building consists of four courtrooms (two district, one magistrate, and one bankruptcy). The major tenants in the building are the U.S. District and Bankruptcy Courts. GSA will modernize the Tomochichi FB-CT in conjunction with the construction of a new courthouse annex to meet the Judiciary's current and anticipated long-term needs in Savannah.

The proposed project includes demolishing two federally owned buildings in GSA's portfolio (Juliette Gordon Low Federal Buildings A & B), which are located on a site adjacent to the Tomochichi FB-CT, and new construction of the courthouse annex on the site of the demolished buildings. The new courthouse annex will include space for one bankruptcy courtroom and chambers, a Bankruptcy Clerk, and the U.S. Probation Office.

Renovation of the Tomochichi FB-CT will include interior construction for buildout of tenant space for court and related agencies, and common area finishes. In addition, the renovation will address several critical building needs, focusing on replacement or refurbishment of the building's major systems, including: plumbing; electrical; heating, ventilating, and air conditioning (HVAC); elevator; and fire protection systems, which all require extensive replacement or refurbishment due to their age and lack of energy efficiency. The project will also offer the opportunity to prepare vacant space for backfill with agencies currently in leased locations.

The new courthouse annex and renovated Tomochichi FB-CT will together provide four courtrooms and five chambers consistent with the application of courtroom sharing policies and limitation on the provision of space for projected judgeships. When complete, the new annex and renovation of the Tomochichi FB-CT will provide for the 10-year space requirements, and the structures/site will allow for expansion to meet the anticipated 30-year needs of the U.S. District and Bankruptcy Courts in Savannah.

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SAVANNAH, GA**

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Congressional District: 1

Site Information

Government-Owned.....Approximately 1.4 acres

Annex Building Area<sup>2</sup>

Gross square footage (excluding inside parking) ..... 35,000

Gross square footage (including inside parking) ..... 46,000

Inside parking spaces .....25

Tomochichi FB-CT Building Area

Gross square footage .....128,061

Estimated Project BudgetSite Funding to Date

Site (FY 1995 &amp; FY 1996) .....\$3,211,000

Reprogram (FY 2000).....(\$800,000)

Total Site Balance Remaining.....\$2,411,000

Design Funding to Date

Design (FY 1995 &amp; FY 2010) .....\$10,286,000

Expended Design ..... (\$4,671,000)

Total Design Balance Remaining .....\$5,615,000

Total Site and Design Balance Remaining.....\$8,026,000

Tomochichi FB-CT Estimated Project Cost

Estimated Design .....\$4,380,000

Estimated Construction Cost .....\$68,700,000

Estimated Management and Inspection .....\$2,619,000

Estimated Total Project Cost (Tomochichi FB-CT).....\$75,699,000

New Annex Estimated Project Cost

Estimated Site .....\$1,500,000

<sup>2</sup> Square footages and number of parking space are approximate. The actual project may contain a variance in gross square footage from that listed in this prospectus

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Estimated Design .....	\$2,407,000
Estimated Construction Cost (\$467/gsf, including inside parking).....	\$21,502,000
Estimated Management and Inspection .....	<u>\$2,418,000</u>
<b>Estimated Total Project Cost (New Annex) .....</b>	<b>\$27,827,000</b>
Total Site and Design Funding Balance Remaining.....	<u>(\$8,026,000)</u>
<b>FY 2016 Need (Annex).....</b>	<b>\$19,801,000</b>

**Estimated Total Project Cost (ETPC)\* ..... \$108,197,000<sup>3</sup>**

\* Tenant agencies may fund an additional amount for alterations above the standard normally provided by GSA.

<u>Schedule</u>	Start	End
Design and Construction (Annex/R&A)	FY 2016	FY 2022

**Tenant Agencies**

U.S. District Court, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, U.S. Probation Office, U.S. Department of Justice – Marshals Service, trial preparation space for the U.S. Department of Justice – Office of the U.S. Attorney, and GSA.

**Estimated Major Work Items (Tomochichi FB-CT)**

Interior Construction	\$23,651,000
Superstructure/Exterior Construction	\$19,620,000
Plumbing Replacement	\$6,142,000
Electrical Replacement	\$5,545,000
HVAC Replacement	\$5,375,000
Elevator Replacement	\$4,065,000
Life Safety Upgrades	\$3,162,000
Site work	\$440,000
Demolition	\$550,000
Roof Replacement	<u>\$150,000</u>
<b>Total ECC</b>	<b>\$68,700,000</b>

<sup>3</sup> ETPC = \$75,699,000 (Tomochichi FB-CT) + \$27,827,000 (Annex) + \$4,671,000 (Spent to Date). As noted in the estimated project budget above, GSA identified sub-totals comprising the estimated project budget that are intended to provide a breakdown in support of the ETPC. The actual total cost to perform the entire project may differ from what is represented in this prospectus by the various subcomponents.

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**PROSPECTUS  
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ALTERATION – TOMOCHICHI FEDERAL BUILDING & COURTHOUSE  
SAVANNAH, GA**

Prospectus Number: PGA-CTC-SA16

Congressional District: 1

**Justification**

The existing Tomochichi FB-CT is unable to meet the current and future requirements of the Judiciary. The current space and building infrastructure do not meet today's standards for security, operational functionality, accessibility, or environmental efficiency. The courthouse does not have secure circulation for judges or separate circulation for the public and prisoners. In addition, the building's systems are beyond their useful lives, do not comply with fire/life safety standards, and do not meet the Architectural Barriers Act Accessibility Standards.

Due to the age of the Tomochichi FB-CT, upgrades or replacement of major building systems, including plumbing, HVAC, electrical, and life safety, are needed to enable continued operation for the courts and to address energy efficiency. The addition of the annex will meet the long-term space needs of the courts, while also addressing the current security and circulation deficiencies.

Previously approved prospectuses for Savannah included construction of a larger new courthouse. Application of the Judiciary's courtroom sharing policies, limitation on the provision of space for projected judgeships, and continued use of the historic Tomochichi FB-CT, determined that the court's housing requirements can be accomplished in a smaller project. Together, the new annex and renovation of the Tomochichi FB-CT will improve security, create discrete circulation patterns, provide for future growth, and co-locate the court operations.

**Space Requirements of the U.S. Courts**

	Current		Proposed	
	Courtrooms	Judges	Courtrooms	Judges
District				
- Active	2	1	1	1
- Senior	0	0	1	1
- Visiting	0	1	0	1
Magistrate	1	1	1	1
Bankruptcy	1*	1*	1*	1*
<b>Total:</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>

\*In addition to the active Bankruptcy judge, a recalled Bankruptcy judge shares a courtroom and chambers.

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SAVANNAH, GA**

Prospectus Number: PGA-CTC-SA16

Congressional District: 1

**Summary of Energy Compliance**

This project will be designed to conform to requirements of the Facilities Standards for the Public Buildings Service and will implement strategies to meet the Guiding Principles for High Performance and Sustainable Buildings. GSA encourages design opportunities to increase energy and water efficiency above the minimum performance criteria.

**Prior Appropriations**

<b>Prior Appropriations</b>			
<b>Public Law</b>	<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Proposed Project</b>
103-329	1995	\$3,000,000	Site
104-52	1996	\$2,597,000	Additional site and design
Reprogram	2000	(\$800,000)	Site
111-117	2010	\$7,900,000	Additional design
114-113*	2016	\$95,500,000	Design, ECC, M&I
<b>Appropriations to Date</b>		<b>\$108,197,000</b>	

\*Public Law 114-113 funded \$947,760,000 for new construction projects of the Federal Judiciary as prioritized in the Federal Judiciary Courthouse Project Priorities list, of which, Savannah is included. GSA's Spend Plan describes each project to be undertaken with this funding. The FY 2016 need for Savannah is \$95,500,000.

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**Prior Committee Approvals**

<b>Prior Committee Approvals</b>			
<b>Committee</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Proposed Project</b>
Senate EPW	10/30/1992	\$3,200,000	Site acquisition
House T&I	5/17/1994	\$5,315,000	Site acquisition & Design for 186,567 gsf; 100 inside parking spaces
Senate EPW	5/26/1994	\$5,315,000	Site acquisition & Design for 233,626 gsf; 100 inside parking spaces
Senate EPW	9/23/1998	\$46,462,000	Additional Design, construction, M&I for 168,306 gsf
House T&I	7/23/2003	\$50,736,000	Additional Design, construction, M&I for 166,955 gsf
Senate EPW	9/13/2006	\$1,299,000	Additional Design for 166,955 gsf
House T&I	11/5/2009	\$7,900,000	Additional Design for 184,955 gsf
House Approvals to Date		\$63,951,000	
Senate Approvals to Date		\$56,276,000	



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 SAVANNAH, GA**

Prospectus Number: PGA-CTC-SA16  
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**Certification of Need**

The proposed project is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.

June 16, 2016

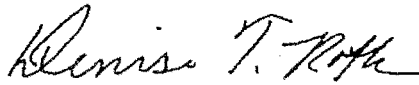
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Commissioner, Public Buildings Service

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_



Administrator, General Services Administration

May 2016

**Housing Plan  
Tomochichi Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse  
New U.S. Courthouse Annex**

PGA-CTC-SA16  
Savannah, GA

Locations	CURRENT						PROPOSED					
	Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF) <sup>1</sup>				Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF)			
	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total
<b>Tomochichi Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse, 125 Bull Street</b>												
U.S. Bankruptcy Judge (courtrooms/chambers)	6	6	759	-	3,675	4,434	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. Bankruptcy - Clerk	20	20	5,832	260	392	6,484	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. Probation / Pretrial Office	25	25	8,409	-	345	8,754	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. District Court (courtrooms & chambers)	8	8	11,569	517	6,934	19,020	8	8	-	-	16,211	16,211
U.S. District Court - Magistrate (courtrooms & chambers)	3	3	1,534	20	1,614	3,168	3	3	-	-	5,916	5,916
U.S. District Court - Clerk	24	24	10,303	441	955	11,699	30	30	11,626	-	1,319	12,945
Grand Jury	-	-	389	-	1,313	1,702	-	-	1,433	-	-	1,433
DOJ - Office of the U.S. Attorney	-	-	637	-	-	637	-	-	1,500	-	-	1,500
DOJ - U.S. Marshals Service	36	36	6,903	2,269	1,232	10,404	36	36	7,253	-	6,508	13,761
Potential Leases for Backfill	-	-	-	-	-	-	105	105	19,606	-	-	19,606
Joint Use	-	-	28	-	2,858	2,886	-	-	815	-	-	815
Vacant	-	-	-	2,999	-	2,999	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>46,363</b>	<b>6,506</b>	<b>19,318</b>	<b>72,187</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>42,233</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29,954</b>	<b>72,187</b>
<b>New Stand-Alone Annex</b>												
U.S. Bankruptcy Court (courtrooms & chambers)	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	6	-	-	5,253	5,253
U.S. Bankruptcy Court - Clerk	-	-	-	-	-	-	24	24	7,369	-	1,537	8,906
U.S. Probation Office/Pretrial Office	-	-	-	-	-	-	31	31	6,170	-	1,374	7,544
DOJ - U.S. Marshals Service (CSO)	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	250	-	-	250
GSA-Public Buildings Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	150	-	100	250
Joint Use	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	880	880
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>13,939</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,144</b>	<b>23,083</b>
<b>Potential Leases for Backfill</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>19,606</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19,606</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>65,969</b>	<b>6,506</b>	<b>19,318</b>	<b>91,793</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>56,172</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>39,098</b>	<b>95,270</b>

Special Space	USF
Courtrooms	3,539
Judicial Chambers	1,664
Vault / Secure Storage	1,302
Mail Room	880
Conference / Training	700
ADP	609
Food Service	200
Restrooms	250
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,144</b>

The project may contain a variance in gross square footage from that listed in this project upon measurement and review of the completed project.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION  
NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE, GREENVILLE,  
MISSISSIPPI

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized for site acquisition and design and construction of a new courthouse of approximately 62,000 gross square feet, including approximately 17 parking spaces, in Greenville, Mississippi at*

an estimated site cost of \$2,500,000, an estimated design cost of \$3,363,000, an estimated construction cost of \$31,164,000, an estimated management and inspection cost of \$3,075,000 for a total estimated project cost of \$40,102,000, for which a prospectus is attached to and included in this resolution.

*Provided, that the Administrator of General Services shall ensure that construction of the new courthouse complies, at a minimum, with courtroom sharing requirements*

adopted by the Judicial Conference of the United States.

*Provided further, that the Administrator of General Services shall ensure that the construction of the new courthouse contains no more than two courtrooms, including one for District Judges and one for Magistrate Judges.*

*Provided further, that the design of the new courthouse shall not deviate from the U.S. Courts Design Guide.*

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**PROSPECTUS  
NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE  
GREENVILLE, MISSISSIPPI**

Prospectus Number: PMS-CTC-GR16  
Congressional District: 02

**FY 2016 Project Summary**

The General Services Administration (GSA) proposes the acquisition of a site, and the design and construction of a new U.S. Courthouse of approximately 62,000 gross square feet, including 17 inside parking spaces, in Greenville, MS. GSA will design and construct the courthouse to meet the 10-year space needs of the court and court-related agencies, and the site will also accommodate the anticipated 30-year needs of the court, which indicate no anticipated growth.

**FY 2016 House and Senate Committee Approval Requested**

(Site, Design, Construction, Management & Inspection).....\$40,102,000

**FY 2016 Funding (as outlined in the FY 2016 Spend Plan)**

(Site, Design, Construction, Management & Inspection).....\$40,102,000

**Overview of Project**

The courts and related agencies currently occupy space in the historic Federal Building – United States Post Office Courthouse (FB-PO-CT) in downtown Greenville. The existing building, built in 1959, is shared by the Judiciary, Department of Justice, Postal Service, and Social Security Administration. The new courthouse will provide two courtrooms and three chambers consistent with the application of courtroom sharing policies and limitation on the provision of space for projected judgeships. The site for the new courthouse is still to be determined.

**Site Information**

To Be Acquired ..... 2-4 acres

**Building Area<sup>1</sup>**

Gross square feet (excluding inside parking)..... 55,000 gsf

Gross square feet (including inside parking) ..... 62,000 gsf

Inside parking spaces .....17

<sup>1</sup> Square footages are approximate. The project may contain a variance in gross square footage from that listed in this prospectus.

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**PROSPECTUS  
NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE  
GREENVILLE, MISSISSIPPI**

Prospectus Number: PMS-CTC-GR16  
Congressional District: 02

**Estimated Project Budget**

Estimated Site .....	\$2,500,000 <sup>2</sup>
Estimated Design .....	\$3,363,000
Estimated Construction Cost (ECC) (\$503/gsf including inside parking) .....	\$31,164,000
Estimated Management and Inspection (M&I).....	<u>\$3,075,000</u>
<b>Estimated Total Project Cost (ETPC)*.....</b>	<b>\$40,102,000<sup>3</sup></b>

\*Tenant agencies may fund an additional amount for alterations above the standard normally provided by GSA.

**Schedule**

	<b>Start</b>	<b>End</b>
Design and Construction	FY 2016	FY 2022

**Tenant Agencies**

District Court, Probation Office, Department of Justice – Marshals Service, trial preparation space for both the Federal Public Defender and Department of Justice – Office of the U.S. Attorney, and GSA.

**Justification**

The existing FB-PO-CT, constructed in 1959, does not meet the United States Courts Design Guide standards and lacks adequate security. Although building technology and security have evolved significantly since the building’s original design and construction, only minimal upgrades have been made to the building. Most of the building’s systems are at the end of their useful lives, and need complete replacement to operate efficiently and meet existing life safety and building codes. Security vulnerabilities also exist due to circulation system deficiencies and unsecured parking. The existing courthouse does not

<sup>2</sup> Potential site funds needed for site acquisition, relocation, unknown sub-surface conditions, environmental, and archaeological risk mitigation.

<sup>3</sup> GSA requests approval for a total project cost. As noted in the estimated project budget above, sub-totals comprising the estimated project budget are intended to provide a breakdown in support of the ETPC. The actual total cost to perform the entire project may differ from what is represented in this prospectus by the various subcomponents.

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have a sallyport, separate prisoner elevator, or any courtroom holding cells. The new courthouse will provide for separate circulation for the public, judges, and prisoners, thereby improving security as well as efficiency of court operations.

**Space Requirements of the U.S. Courts**

	Current		Proposed	
	Courtrooms	Judges	Courtrooms	Judges
District				
- Active	1	1	1	1
- Visiting	0	0	0	1
Magistrate	1	1	1	1
<b>Total:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>

**Summary of Energy Compliance**

This project will be designed to conform to requirements of the Facilities Standards for the Public Buildings Service and will implement strategies to meet the Guiding Principles for High Performance and Sustainable Buildings. GSA encourages design opportunities to increase energy and water efficiency above the minimum performance criteria.

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NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE  
GREENVILLE, MISSISSIPPI**

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Congressional District: 02

**Future of Existing Federal Building<sup>4</sup>**

The Federal tenancy in Greenville does not support the need for two courthouses; therefore, GSA will explore alternatives associated with the disposal of the existing courthouse, and is working with the Social Security Administration and the Postal Service to define the best solution for meeting their long-term space needs in Greenville.

**Prior Appropriations**

<b>Prior Appropriations</b>			
<b>Public Law</b>	<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Proposed Project</b>
114-113*	2016	\$40,102,000	Site, Design, ECC, M&I
<b>Appropriations to Date</b>		<b>\$40,102,000</b>	

\*Public Law 114-113 funded \$52,733,000 for new construction and acquisition projects that are joint United States Courthouses and Federal Buildings, including U.S. Post Offices, on the “FY 2015–FY 2019 Five Year Capital Investment Plan” submitted by GSA with the agency’s Fiscal Year 2016 Congressional Justification. GSA’s Spend Plan describes each project to be undertaken with this funding. Original Spend Plan numbers indicated a higher cost for the project, but further refinement of customer requirements and scope have resulted in an FY 2016 need for Greenville of \$40,102,000.

**Prior Committee Approvals**

<b>Prior Committee Approvals</b>			
NONE			

<sup>4</sup> This section is included to address recommendations in the following GAO Report: Federal Courthouses: Better Planning Needed Regarding Reuse of Old Courthouses (GAO-14-48).

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**PROSPECTUS  
NEW U.S. COURTHOUSE  
GREENVILLE, MISSISSIPPI**


Prospectus Number: PMS-CTC-GR16  
Congressional District: 02

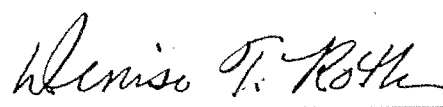
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**Certification of Need**

The proposed project is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.

Submitted at Washington, DC, on August 19, 2016

Recommended:   
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Commissioner, Public Buildings Service

Approved:   
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Administrator, General Services Administration



Housing Plan  
New U.S. Courthouse

Locations	CURRENT						PROPOSED					
	Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF) <sup>1</sup>				Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF)			
	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total
<b>New U.S. Courthouse, Greenville, MS</b>												
U.S. District Court (courtrooms/chambers)	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	3,138	409	5,868	9,415
U.S. District Court - Clerk	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	2,486	356	2,075	4,917
U.S. District Court - Magistrate	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	6	1,855	409	4,013	6,277
Grand Jury	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40	1,393	-	1,433
U.S. Probation Office	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	2,075	370	617	3,062
DOJ - U.S. Marshals Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	20	1,378	455	7,340	9,173
DOJ - Office of the U.S. Attorney	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500	-	-	500
Federal Public Defender	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	450	-	-	450
GSA Public Buildings Service, Field Office	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	250	-	-	250
Joint Use	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	880	880
<b>Subtotal</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>52</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>12,132</b>	<b>2,039</b>	<b>22,186</b>	<b>36,357</b>
<b>Greenville FB-PO-CT</b>												
U.S. District Court (courtrooms/chambers)	6	6	1,922	-	6,560	8,482	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. District Court - Clerk	7	7	2,391	-	1,109	3,500	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. District Court - Magistrate	6	6	203	-	6,782	6,985	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. Probation Office	6	6	2,156	-	341	2,497	-	-	-	-	-	-
DOJ - U.S. Marshals Service	20	20	1,525	-	209	1,734	-	-	-	-	-	-
DOJ - Office of the U.S. Attorney	-	-	607	-	-	607	-	-	-	-	-	-
HHS - Social Security Administration	23	23	7,926	-	1,843	9,769	23	23	7,926	-	1,843	9,769
U.S. Postal Service	20	20	3,007	15,442	603	19,052	20	20	3,007	15,442	603	19,052
GSA Public Buildings Service, Field Office	1	1	202	-	-	202	-	-	-	-	-	-
Joint Use	-	-	70	-	582	652	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vacant	-	-	5,787	218	97	6,102	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>25,796</b>	<b>15,660</b>	<b>18,126</b>	<b>59,582</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>10,933</b>	<b>15,442</b>	<b>2,446</b>	<b>28,821</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>25,796</b>	<b>15,660</b>	<b>18,126</b>	<b>59,582</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>23,065</b>	<b>17,481</b>	<b>24,632</b>	<b>65,178</b>

Special Space	USF
Holding Cells	1,580
Sallyport/Elevator	1,195
Physical Fitness	1,300
Restrooms	1,263
Conference Rooms	1,371
Detention/interview	1,164
ADP	2,095
Courtrooms	5,253
Judicial Chambers	1,734
Food Service	248
Judicial Hearing Room	1,280
Mail Room	880
Secured storage	814
Jury Room	2,009
<b>Total</b>	<b>22,186</b>

The project may contain a variance in gross square footage from that listed in this project upon measurement and review of the completed project.

## COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

LEASE—PEACE CORPS, WASHINGTON, DC

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives*, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized for a lease of up to 173,000 rentable square feet of space, including 5 official parking spaces, for the Peace Corps currently located at 1111 20th Street, NW in Washington, D.C. at a proposed total annual cost of \$8,650,000 for a lease term of up to 15 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to the execution of the new lease.

*Provided that*, the Administrator of General Services and tenant agencies agree to apply

an overall utilization rate of 152 square feet or less per person, except that, if the Administrator determines that the overall utilization rate cannot be achieved, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided that*, except for interim leases as described above, the Administrator may not enter into any leases that are below prospectus level for the purposes of meeting any of the requirements, or portions thereof, included in the prospectus that would result in an overall utilization rate of 152 square feet or higher per person.

*Provided that*, to the maximum extent practicable, the Administrator shall include in the lease contract(s) a purchase option.

*Provided further*, that the Administrator shall require that the delineated area of the procurement is identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, except that, if the Administrator determines that the delineated area of the procurement should not be identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided further*, that the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
PEACE CORPS  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-08-WA17

**Executive Summary**

The General Services Administration (GSA) proposes a lease of approximately 173,000 rentable square feet (RSF) for the Peace Corps, currently located at 1111 20<sup>th</sup> Street, NW in Washington, DC.

The lease will provide continued housing for Peace Corps and will slightly improve the office and overall space utilization from 99 to 98 and 156 to 152 per person, respectively.

**Description**

Occupant:	Peace Corps
Current Rentable Square Feet (RSF)	161,725 (Current RSF/USF = 1.13)
Estimated Maximum RSF <sup>1</sup> :	173,000 (Proposed RSF/USF = 1.20)
Expansion/Reduction RSF:	None
Current Usable Square Feet/Person:	156
Estimated Usable Square Feet/Person:	152
Proposed Maximum Leasing Authority:	15 years
Expiration Dates of Current Lease(s):	05/31/2018
Delineated Area:	Washington, DC Central Employment Area
Number of Official Parking Spaces:	5
Scoring:	Operating Lease
Estimated Rental Rate <sup>2</sup> :	\$50.00 / RSF

<sup>1</sup> The RSF/USF at the current location is approximately 1.13; however, to maximize competition a RSF/USF ratio of 1.2 is used for the proposed maximum RSF as indicated in the housing plan.

<sup>2</sup> This estimate is for fiscal year 2018 and may be escalated by 1.95 percent annually to the effective date of the lease to account for inflation. The proposed rental rate is fully serviced including all operating expenses whether paid by the lessor or directly by the Government. GSA will conduct the procurement using prevailing market rental rates as a benchmark for the evaluation of competitive offers and as the basis for negotiating with offerers to ensure that lease award is made in the best interest of the Government.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
PEACE CORPS  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-08-WA17

Estimated Total Annual Cost <sup>3</sup> :	\$8,650,000
Current Total Annual Cost:	\$4,947,167 (leases effective 06/1/1998)

**Acquisition Strategy**

In order to maximize the flexibility and competition in acquiring space for the Peace Corps, GSA may issue a single, multiple award solicitation that will allow offerors to provide blocks of space able to meet requirements in whole or in part. All offers must provide space consistent with the delineated area defined by this prospectus.

**Background**

The Peace Corps' mission is to promote world peace and friendship by fulfilling three goals: helping the people of interested countries in meeting their need for trained men and women; promoting a better understanding of Americans on the part of the peoples served; and facilitating a better understanding of other peoples on the part of Americans.

**Justification**

Since 1961, the Peace Corps has been strengthening the United States of America by building bridges with nations around the world through community-based development and cross-cultural understanding. Effective support of its volunteers and staff in 141 countries is crucial to advancing the mission and goals of the agency. The current lease at 1111 20<sup>th</sup> Street, NW expires May 31, 2018. Peace Corps requires continued housing to carry out its mission.

**Summary of Energy Compliance**

GSA will incorporate energy efficiency requirements into the Request for Lease Proposals and other documents related to the procurement of space based on the approved prospectus. GSA encourages offerors to exceed minimum requirements set forth in the procurement and to achieve an Energy Star performance rating of 75 or higher.

<sup>3</sup> New leases may contain an escalation clause to provide for annual changes in real estate taxes and operating costs.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
PEACE CORPS  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-08-WA17

**Resolutions of Approval**

Resolutions adopted by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works approving this prospectus will constitute approval to make appropriations to lease space in a facility that will yield the required rentable area.

**Interim Leasing**

GSA will execute such interim leasing actions as are necessary to ensure continued housing of the tenant agency prior to the effective date of the new lease. It is in the best interest of the Government to avert the financial risk of holdover tenancy.

**Certification of Need**

The proposed project is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.

Submitted at Washington, DC, on

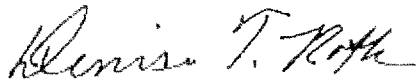
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Recommended:



Commissioner, Public Buildings Service

Approved:



Administrator, General Services Administration

October 2015

Housing Plan  
Peace Corps

PDC-08-WA17  
Washington, DC

Leased Locations	CURRENT						ESTIMATED/PROPOSED					
	Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF) <sup>1</sup>				Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF)			
	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total
1111 20th Street NW Washington DC	920	920	116,597	5,028	21,584	143,209						
Estimated/Proposed Lease							950	950	119,595	4,500	19,905	144,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>920</b>	<b>920</b>	<b>116,597</b>	<b>5,028</b>	<b>21,584</b>	<b>143,209</b>	<b>950</b>	<b>950</b>	<b>119,595</b>	<b>4,500</b>	<b>19,905</b>	<b>144,000</b>

Office Utilization Rate (UR) <sup>2</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	99	98

UR = average amount of office space per person  
 Current UR excludes 25,651 usf of office support space  
 Proposed UR excludes 26,311 usf of office support space

Overall UR <sup>3</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	156	152

R/U Factor <sup>4</sup>			
	Total USF	RSF/USF	Max RSF
Current	143,209	1.13	161,725
Estimated/Proposed	144,000	1.20	173,000

Special Space	USF
Mailroom	2,500
Conference/Auditorium	9,000
Library & RPCV Center	1,200
Training Room	1,200
Data Center	1,800
IT Equipment Storage	580
OCIO Operations Center	950
Medical Records Storage	775
Records Storage	1,900
<b>Total</b>	<b>19,905</b>

NOTES:

<sup>1</sup> USF means the portion of the building available for use by a tenant's personnel and furnishings and space available jointly to the occupants of the building.

<sup>2</sup> Calculation excludes Judiciary, Congress and agencies with less than 10 people

<sup>3</sup> USF/Person = housing plan total USF divided by total personnel.

<sup>4</sup> R/U Factor = Max RSF divided by total USF

## COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

LEASE—ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY,  
PHILADELPHIA, PA

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized for a lease of up to 222,000 rentable square feet of space, including 15 official parking spaces, for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency currently located at 1650 Arch Street in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania at a proposed total annual cost of \$8,436,000 for a lease term of up to 20 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.*

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to the execution of the new lease.

*Provided that, the Administrator of General Services and tenant agencies agree to apply an overall utilization rate of 200 square feet or less per person, except that, if the Administrator determines that the overall utilization rate cannot be achieved, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.*

*Provided that, except for interim leases as described above, the Administrator may not enter into any leases that are below prospectus level for the purposes of meeting any of the requirements, or portions thereof, included in the prospectus that would result in an overall utilization rate of 200 square feet or higher per person.*

*Provided that, to the maximum extent practicable, the Administrator shall include in the lease contract(s) a purchase option.*

*Provided further, that the Administrator shall require that the delineated area of the procurement is identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, except that, if the Administrator determines that the delineated area of the procurement should not be identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.*

*Provided further, that the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.*

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
PHILADELPHIA, PA**

Prospectus Number: PPA-01-PH17  
Congressional District: 1, 2

**Executive Summary**

The General Services Administration (GSA) proposes a lease for approximately 222,000 rentable square feet (RSF) of space for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), currently located in leased space at 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA.

The proposed lease will enable EPA to provide continued housing as well as more modern, streamlined, and efficient operations. It will significantly improve space utilization, as the office utilization rate will be improved from 170 to 120 usable square feet (USF) per person, and the overall utilization rate from 278 to 200 USF per person, and reduce EPA's footprint at this location by 86,000 RSF.

**Description**

Occupant:	Environmental Protection Agency
Current Rentable Square Feet (RSF):	307,847 (Current RSF/USF = 1.15)
Estimated Maximum RSF:	222,000 (Proposed RSF/USF = 1.15)
Expansion/Reduction RSF:	85,847 (Reduction)
Current Usable Square Feet/Person:	278
Estimated Usable Square Feet/Person:	200
Proposed Maximum Lease Term:	20 Years
Expiration Dates of Current Leases:	05/31/2018
Delineated Area:	The Philadelphia Central Business District bounded by: North – Girard Ave South – Washington Ave to Rail Line crossing the Schuylkill River East – Delaware River to Columbia Ave West – Schuylkill River to Spring Garden Street to 40 <sup>th</sup> Street to Woodland Ave to University Ave
Number of Official Parking Spaces:	15
Scoring:	Operating lease
Estimated Rental Rate <sup>1</sup> :	\$38.00 / RSF
Estimated Total Annual Cost <sup>2</sup> :	\$8,436,000

<sup>1</sup>This estimate is for fiscal year 2018 and may be escalated by 2.0 percent annually to the effective date of the lease to account for inflation. The proposed rental rate is fully serviced including all operating expenses whether paid by the lessor or directly by the Government. GSA will conduct the procurement using prevailing market rental rates as a benchmark for the evaluation of competitive offers and as a basis for negotiating with offerors to ensure that lease award is made in the best interest of the government.



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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
PHILADELPHIA, PA**

Prospectus Number: PPA-01-PH17

Congressional District: 1, 2

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Current Total Annual Cost: \$6,820,937 (Lease effective 06/01/1998)

**Background**

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is currently located in an approximately 308,000 RSF leased location at 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA. This primarily office space serves as a Regional office for the EPA. The lease expires May 31, 2018, and a long-term housing solution is needed for the agency. This prospectus request seeks authority to procure a long-term leasing solution for this requirement.

**Acquisition Strategy**

GSA is planning to satisfy this requirement through a single award solicitation. All offers must provide space consistent with the delineated area defined by this prospectus.

**Justification**

EPA has developed a program of requirements for replacement space to house its Region 3 Regional Headquarters in Philadelphia, PA. The proposed requirements utilize new space standards developed to improve space efficiency and employee productivity and will reduce EPA's footprint by 85,847 RSF. In the absence of this reduction, the status quo cost of continued occupancy at the proposed market rental rate would be \$11,698,186 per year.

**Summary of Energy Compliance**

GSA will incorporate energy efficiency requirements into the Request for Lease Proposals and other documents related to the procurement of space based on the approved prospectus. GSA encourages offerors to exceed minimum requirements set forth in the procurement and to achieve an energy Star performance rating of 75 or higher.

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<sup>2</sup>New leases may contain an escalation clause to provide for annual changes in real estate taxes and operating costs.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
PHILADELPHIA, PA**

Prospectus Number: PPA-01-PH17  
Congressional District: 1, 2

**Resolutions of Approval**

Resolutions adopted by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works approving this prospectus will constitute approval to make appropriations to lease space in a facility that will yield the required rentable area.

**Interim Leasing**

GSA will execute such interim leasing actions as are necessary to ensure continued housing of the tenant agency prior to the effective date of the new lease. It is in the best interest of the Government to avert the financial risk of holdover tenancy.

**Certification of Need**

The proposed lease is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.

Submitted at Washington, DC, on                     JUN 06 2016                    

Recommended:   
Commissioner, Public Buildings Service

Approved:   
Administrator, General Services Administration

October 2015

Housing Plan  
Environmental Protection Agency

PPA-01-PH17  
Philadelphia, PA

Leased Locations	CURRENT						ESTIMATED/PROPOSED					
	Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF) <sup>1</sup>				Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF)			
	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total
1650 Arch Street	913	962	198,411	4,290	64,995	267,696						
Estimated/Proposed Lease							913	962	139,960	4,000	48,870	192,830
<b>Total</b>	<b>913</b>	<b>962</b>	<b>198,411</b>	<b>4,290</b>	<b>64,995</b>	<b>267,696</b>	<b>913</b>	<b>962</b>	<b>139,960</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>48,870</b>	<b>192,830</b>

Office Utilization Rate (UR) <sup>2</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	170	120

UR=average amount of office space per person  
Current UR excludes 43,650 usf of office support space  
Proposed UR excludes 30,791 usf of office support space

Overall UR <sup>3</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	278	200

R/U Factor <sup>4</sup>			
	Total USF	RSF/USF	Max RSF
Current	267,696	1.15	307,847
Estimated/Proposed	192,830	1.15	222,000

NOTES:

<sup>1</sup>USF means the portion of the building available for use by a tenant's personnel and furnishings and space available jointly to the occupants of the building.

<sup>2</sup>Calculation excludes Judiciary, Congress and agencies with less than 10 people

<sup>3</sup>USF/Person = housing plan total USF divided by total personnel.

<sup>4</sup>R/U Factor = Max RSF divided by total USF

Special Space	USF
Conference/Training	11,420
Computer/Server	2,900
High Density Filing	9,340
Mail Room	2,100
Regional Response Center	3,000
Library	2,500
Security	1,000
Gym	6,220
Pub. Information Center	1,340
Distributed Copy/Recycling	2,200
Break Room/Employee Activities	4,750
Evidence Rooms	1,450
Credit Union	250
Secure Work Rooms	400
<b>Total</b>	<b>48,870</b>

## COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

LEASE—PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY  
CORPORATION, WASHINGTON, DC

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized for a lease of up to 431,800 rentable square feet of space, including 9 official parking spaces, for the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation currently located at 1200 K Street, 1225 I Street, and 1275 K Street, NW in Washington, D.C. at a proposed total annual cost of \$21,590,000 for a lease term of up to 15 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.*

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to the execution of the new lease.

*Provided that, the Administrator of General Services and tenant agencies agree to apply an overall utilization rate of 199 square feet or less per person, except that, if the Administrator determines that the overall utilization rate cannot be achieved, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.*

*Provided that, except for interim leases as described above, the Administrator may not enter into any leases that are below prospectus level for the purposes of meeting any of the requirements, or portions thereof, included in the prospectus that would result in an overall utilization rate of 199 square feet or higher per person.*

*Provided that, to the maximum extent practicable, the Administrator shall include*

*in the lease contract(s) a purchase option that can be exercised at the conclusion of the firm term of the lease.*

*Provided further, that the Administrator shall require that the delineated area of the procurement is identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, except that, if the Administrator determines that the delineated area of the procurement should not be identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.*

*Provided further, that the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.*

**GSA****PBS**

**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-10-WA17

**Executive Summary**

The General Services Administration (GSA) proposes a lease for approximately 431,800 rentable square feet (RSF) of space for the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC), currently located in three leases at 1200 K Street, 1225 I Street, and 1275 K Street in Washington, DC.

The lease will provide continued housing for PBGC and will improve PBGC's office and overall utilization rate from 125 to 111 usable square feet (USF) per person, and 216 to 199 USF per person, respectively, while housing current personnel in 35,360 RSF less than the total of its current occupancies.

**Description**

Occupant:	Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation
Current Rentable Square Feet (RSF)	467,160 (Current RSF USF = 1.20)
Estimated Maximum RSF:	431,800 (Proposed RSF/USF = 1.20 )
Expansion/Reduction RSF:	35,360 (Reduction)
Current Usable Square Feet/Person:	216
Estimated Usable Square Feet/Person:	199
Proposed Maximum Lease Term:	15 Years
Expiration Dates of Current Leases:	12/10/18
Delineated Area:	Washington, DC, Central Employment Area
Number of Official Parking Spaces:	9
Scoring:	Operating lease
Estimated Rental Rate <sup>1</sup> :	\$50.00 / RSF
Estimated Total Annual Cost <sup>2</sup> :	\$21,590,000
Current Total Annual Cost:	\$25,210,054 (Leases effective 12/11/2008, and 10/01/2014)

<sup>1</sup>This estimate is for fiscal year 2018 and may be escalated by 1.95 percent annually to the effective date of the lease to account for inflation. The proposed rental rate is fully serviced including all operating expenses whether paid by the lessor or directly by the Government. GSA will conduct the procurement using prevailing market rental rates as a benchmark for the evaluation of competitive offers and as a basis for negotiating with offerors to ensure that lease award is made in the best interest of the Government.

<sup>2</sup>New leases may contain an escalation clause to provide for annual changes in real estate taxes and operating costs.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-10-WA17

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**Background**

The PBGC mission is to protect the retirement incomes of more than 40 million American workers in more than 26,000 private-sector defined benefit pension plans. PBGC was created by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) of 1974 to encourage the continuation and maintenance of private-sector defined benefit pension plans, provide timely and uninterrupted payment of pension benefits, and keep pension insurance premiums at a minimum.

**Justification**

PBGC maintains three headquarter leases located at 1200 K Street NW, 1275 K Street NW, and 1225 I Street NW, in Washington, DC. These leases are coterminous, expiring December 2018. The PBGC has a continuing need for headquarters office and support space to fulfill its mission. Consolidating the three existing leases will streamline operations and improve PBGC's footprint by 35,360 RSF. Without this reduction, the status-quo cost of continued occupancy would be \$23,358,000.

**Summary of Energy Compliance**

GSA will incorporate energy efficiency requirements into the Request for Lease Proposals and other documents related to the procurement of space based on the approved prospectus. GSA encourages offerors to exceed minimum requirements set forth in the procurement and to achieve an Energy Star performance rating of 75 or higher.

**Resolutions of Approval**

Resolutions adopted by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works approving this prospectus will constitute approval to make appropriations to lease space in a facility that will yield the required rentable area.

**Interim Leasing**

GSA will execute such interim leasing actions as are necessary to ensure continued housing of the tenant agency prior to the effective date of the new lease. It is in the best interest of the Government to avert the financial risk of holdover tenancy.

**GSA**

**PBS**

**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-10-WA17

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**Certification of Need**

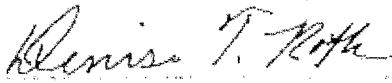
The proposed lease is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.

Submitted at Washington, DC, on June 9, 2016

Recommended:

  
Commissioner, Public Buildings Service

Approved:

  
Administrator, General Services Administration

December 2015

Housing Plan  
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

PDC-10-WA17  
Washington DC

Leased Locations	CURRENT						ESTIMATED/PROPOSED					
	Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF) <sup>1</sup>				Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF)			
	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total
1200 K St., NW	1,383	1,383	240,286	9,911	69,984	320,181						
1225 I St., NW	47	47	6,838	634	2,600	10,166						
1275 K St., NW	374	374	41,999	1,080	14,865	58,692						
Estimated/Proposed Lease							1,804	1,804	257,721	14,461	87,651	359,833
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,804</b>	<b>1,804</b>	<b>289,123</b>	<b>11,625</b>	<b>87,449</b>	<b>389,039</b>	<b>1,804</b>	<b>1,804</b>	<b>257,721</b>	<b>14,461</b>	<b>87,651</b>	<b>359,833</b>

Office Utilization Rate (UR) <sup>2</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	125	111

UR=average amount of office space per person  
Current UR excludes 63,607 usf of office support space  
Proposed UR excludes 56,699 usf of office support space

Overall UR <sup>3</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	216	199

R/U Factor <sup>4</sup>			
	Total USF	RSF/USF	RSF
Current	389,039	1.20	467,160
Estimated/Proposed	359,833	1.20	431,800

Special Space	USF
Conference and Training	50,186
Security Lobby	2,335
Café	7,824
Library/High Density File Room	3,424
Specialty Rooms	2,012
Mail Room	870
Open Work Areas	512
Copy Room	6,912
Back-up Generator	1,834
IT/Telecom	8,318
OIG Server Room	352
Phone Booth	3,072
<b>Total</b>	<b>87,651</b>

NOTES:

<sup>1</sup>USF means the portion of the building available for use by a tenant's personnel and furnishings and space available jointly to the occupants of the building.

<sup>2</sup>Calculation excludes Judiciary, Congress and agencies with less than 10 people

<sup>3</sup>USF/Person = housing plan total USF divided by total personnel.

<sup>4</sup>R/U Factor = Max RSF divided by total USF



## COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

LEASE—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE JOINT STAFF, SUFFOLK, VA

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives*, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized for a lease of up to 403,737 rentable square feet of space for the Department of Defense, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Joint Staff currently located at 116-116B Lake View Parkway in Suffolk, Virginia at a proposed total annual cost of \$8,882,214 for a lease term of up to 15 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to the execution of the new lease.

*Provided that*, the Administrator of General Services and tenant agencies agree to apply an overall utilization rate of 264 square feet or less per person, except that, if the Administrator determines that the overall utilization rate cannot be achieved, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided that*, except for interim leases as described above, the Administrator may not enter into any leases that are below prospectus level for the purposes of meeting any of the requirements, or portions thereof, included in the prospectus that would result in an overall utilization rate of 264 square feet or higher per person.

*Provided that*, to the maximum extent practicable, the Administrator shall include in the lease contract(s) a purchase option.

*Provided further*, that the Administrator shall require that the delineated area of the procurement is identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, except that, if the Administrator determines that the delineated area of the procurement should not be identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided further*, that the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE JOINT STAFF  
SUFFOLK, VA**

Prospectus Number: PVA-01-SU17

Congressional District: 4

**Executive Summary**

The General Services Administration (GSA) proposes a lease for approximately 403,737 rentable square feet (RSF) for the Department of Defense, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Joint Staff (DOD-JS). DOD-JS is currently housed at 116-116B Lake View Parkway, Suffolk, VA under a lease that expires May 9, 2018.

The proposed lease will enable DOD-JS to provide continued housing for its mission in Suffolk, VA. DOD-JS is uniquely responsible for ensuring the coordination between all branches of the U.S. military and foreign entities. The proposed lease will provide continued housing for the primary training facility for this mission. 116-116B Lake View Parkway is one of five buildings within a secure campus leased for DOD's exclusive use.

**Description**

Occupant:	DOD Office of the Secretary of Defense Joint Staff
Current Rentable Square Feet (RSF)	403,737 (RSF/USF = 1.08)
Estimated Maximum RSF:	403,737 (RSF/USF = 1.08)
Expansion/Reduction RSF:	None
Current Usable Square Feet/Person:	240
Estimated Usable Square Feet/Person:	264
Proposed Maximum Lease Term:	15 Years
Expiration Dates of Current Leases:	05/09/2018
Delineated Area:	North: James River South: Kings Hwy (Rt. 125) to Nansemond Pkwy (Rt. 337) East: City limit of Suffolk West: Nansemond River
Number of Official Parking Spaces:	0
Scoring:	Operating lease
Estimated Proposed Rental Rate <sup>1</sup> :	\$22.00/ RSF
Estimated Total Annual Cost <sup>2</sup> :	\$8,882,214

<sup>1</sup>This estimate is for fiscal year 2018 and may be escalated by 1.95 percent annually to the effective date of the lease to account for inflation. The proposed rental rate is fully serviced including all operating expenses whether paid by the lessor or directly by the Government. GSA will conduct the procurement using prevailing market rental rates as a benchmark for negotiating this lease to ensure that lease award is made in the best interest of the Government.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE JOINT STAFF  
SUFFOLK, VA**

Prospectus Number: PVA-01-SU17  
Congressional District: 4

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Current Total Annual Cost:	\$6,791,189 (Leases effective 05/10/1993 and 06/15/2004)
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**Background**

The original 320,825 RSF building, 116 Lake View, was constructed in 1993 to meet the space requirements of the Department of the Navy, and it was used as a warehouse and torpedo testing facility. In 2004, the United States Joint Forces Command (USJFCOM) was the sole tenant when it expanded the facility by 82,912 RSF with the construction of 116B Lake View, which is connected to 116 Lake View as one structure. Upon the disestablishment of USJFCOM in August 2011, DOD-JS became the sole occupant and has a continuing need for housing to carry out its mission.

GSA will consider whether DOD-JS's continued housing needs should be satisfied in the existing location based on an analysis of other potential locations within the delineated area. If other potential locations are identified, a cost-benefit analysis will be conducted to determine whether the Government can expect to recover the relocation and duplication costs of real and personal property needed for DOD-JS to accomplish its mission.

**Justification**

The Joint Staff is currently housed at 116 & 116B Lake View Parkway. GSA executed the original lease in 1993 and a five-year renewal option effective on May 9, 2013. There are no remaining lease renewal or purchase options. A purchase option will be solicited in the proposed lease procurement. The existing building functions as a training center and DOD-JS has a continuing need for space to carry out its mission.

**Summary of Energy Compliance**

GSA will incorporate energy efficiency requirements into the Request for Lease Proposals and other documents related to the procurement of space based on the approved prospectus. GSA encourages offerors to exceed minimum requirements set forth in the procurement and to achieve an energy Star performance rating of 75 or higher.

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<sup>2</sup>New leases may contain an escalation clause to provide for annual changes in real estate taxes and operating costs.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE JOINT STAFF  
SUFFOLK, VA**

Prospectus Number: PVA-01-SU17  
Congressional District: 4

**Resolutions of Approval**

Resolutions adopted by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works approving this prospectus will constitute approval to make appropriations to lease space in a facility that will yield the required rentable area.

**Interim Leasing**

GSA will execute such interim leasing actions as are necessary to ensure continued housing of the tenant agency prior to the effective date of the extension. It is in the best interest of the Government to avert the financial risk of holdover tenancy.

**Certification of Need**

The proposed project is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.

Submitted at Washington, DC, on                     JUN 06 2016                    

Recommended:   
Commissioner, Public Buildings Service

Approved:   
Administrator, General Services Administration

October 2015

Housing Plan  
Department of Defense

PVA-01-SU17  
Suffolk, VA

Leased Locations	CURRENT						ESTIMATED/PROPOSED					
	Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF) <sup>1</sup>				Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF)			
	Office	Total	Office	Storage <sup>5</sup>	Special	Total	Office	Total	Office	Storage <sup>5</sup>	Special	Total
116 Lake View Parkway (Incl. 114)	1,045	1,236	136,530	725	160,665	297,920						
116B Lake View Parkway	306	325	46,793	135	29,301	76,229						
Estimated/Proposed Lease							1,238	1,415	178,228	2,730	193,191	374,149
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,351</b>	<b>1,561</b>	<b>183,322</b>	<b>860</b>	<b>189,967</b>	<b>374,149</b>	<b>1,238</b>	<b>1,415</b>	<b>178,228</b>	<b>2,730</b>	<b>193,191</b>	<b>374,149</b>

Office Utilization Rate (UR) <sup>2</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	106	112

UR=average amount of office space per person  
Current UR excludes 40,331 usf of office support space  
Proposed UR excludes 39,210 usf of office support space

Overall UR <sup>3</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	240	264

R/U Factor <sup>4</sup>			
	Total USF	RSF/USF	RSF
Current	374,149	1.08	403,737
Estimated/Proposed	374,149	1.08	403,737

NOTES:

<sup>1</sup>USF means the portion of the building available for use by a tenant's personnel and furnishings and space available jointly to the occupants of the building

<sup>2</sup>Office UR = office total \* .78 divided by total office personnel

<sup>3</sup>Overall UR = housing plan total USF divided by total personnel

<sup>4</sup>R/U Factor = Max RSF divided by total USF

<sup>5</sup>Storage excludes warehouse, which is part of Special

Special Space	USF
Security	1,365
SCIF	15,989
Lactation Room	155
Restroom	1,545
Physical Fitness	3,150
Locker/Shower Room/Barber	1,475
Food Service	10,245
IT / Telecom	17,970
Mechanical	625
Laboratory	26,286
Test Bay	30,585
Conference/Training	31,365
TV Studio	1,165
Library	1,175
Warehouse	28,645
Circulation/Lobby	21,451
<b>Total</b>	<b>193,191</b>

AMENDED COMMITTEE RESOLUTION  
LEASE—EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF IMMIGRATION REVIEW AND IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT, SAN FRANCISCO, CA

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives*, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized for a lease of up to 91,100 rentable square feet of space, including 25 official parking spaces, for the Department of Justice, Executive Office of Immigration Review and the Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Office for Principle Legal Advisors currently located at 100 Montgomery Street in San Francisco, California at a proposed total annual cost of \$6,832,500 for a lease term of up to 10 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution. This resolution amends the prior authorization of prospectus PCA-01-SF16 on March 2, 2016.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all

tenants, if necessary, prior to the execution of the new lease.

*Provided that*, the Administrator of General Services and tenant agencies agree to apply an overall utilization rate of 556 square feet or less per person for the Executive Office of Immigration Review and 210 square feet or less per person for the Office of Principle Legal Advisors, except that, if the Administrator determines that the overall utilization rate cannot be achieved, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided that*, except for interim leases as described above, the Administrator may not enter into any leases that are below prospectus level for the purposes of meeting any of the requirements, or portions thereof, included in the prospectus that would result in an overall utilization rate of 556 square feet or higher per person for the Executive Office

of Immigration Review or 210 square feet or higher per person for the Office of Principle Legal Advisors.

*Provided that*, to the maximum extent practicable, the Administrator shall include in the lease contract(s) a purchase option.

*Provided further*, that the Administrator shall require that the delineated area of the procurement is identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, except that, if the Administrator determines that the delineated area of the procurement should not be identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided further*, that the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

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**AMENDED PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF IMMIGRATION REVIEW AND  
IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT  
SAN FRANCISCO, CA**

Prospectus Number:           PCA-01-SF17  
Congressional District:       12

**Executive Summary**

The General Services Administration (GSA) proposes to amend prospectus PCA-01-SF16 which proposed a lease of up to 85,000 rentable square feet for the Department of Justice, Executive Office of Immigration Review and Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Office for Principle Legal Advisors (OPLA), for a term of 10 years at a maximum cost of \$76.00 per rentable square foot. The Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works and the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure approved the original prospectus on January 20, 2016 and March 2, 2016. This amended prospectus seeks authority to continue leasing 6,800 rentable square feet, previously removed from the OPLA housing requirement in PCA-01-SF16, in order to house an increase in attorneys and staff.

**Description**

Occupant:	Executive Office of Immigration Review and Immigration and Customs Enforcement
Current Rentable Square Feet (RSF)	91,100 (Current RSF/USF = 1.18)
Previously Awarded Lease RSF:	84,300 (RSF/USF = 1.18)
Estimated Maximum RSF:	91,100 (Proposed RSF/USF = 1.18)
Expansion/Reduction RSF:	None
Current Usable Square Feet/Person:	556/239
Estimated Usable Square Feet/Person:	556/210
Proposed Maximum Lease Term:	10 Years
Expiration Dates of Current Leases:	10/12/2016
Delineated Area:	100 Montgomery Street, San Francisco, CA
Number of Official Parking Spaces:	25
Scoring:	Operating lease
Estimated Proposed Rental Rate <sup>1</sup> :	\$75.00 / RSF
Estimated Total Annual Cost <sup>2</sup> :	\$6,832,500

<sup>1</sup>This estimate is for fiscal year 2017 and may be escalated by 1.9 percent annually to the effective date of the lease to account for inflation. The proposed rental rate is fully serviced including all operating expenses whether paid by the lessor or directly by the Government. GSA will conduct the procurement using prevailing market rental rates as a benchmark for negotiating this lease to ensure that lease award is made in the best interest of the Government.

<sup>2</sup>New leases may contain an escalation clause to provide for annual changes in real estate taxes and operating costs.

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**AMENDED PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF IMMIGRATION REVIEW AND  
IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT  
SAN FRANCISCO, CA**

Prospectus Number:	PCA-01-SF17
Congressional District:	12

Current Total Annual Cost:	\$3,220,858 (leases effective 10/13/2006 and 08/18/2008)
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**Justification**

EOIR and OPLA are currently co-located at 100 Montgomery Street in San Francisco, CA under a lease that expires on October 12, 2016. In conjunction with approximately 9,000 RSF in a nearby Federal building, this location acts as one of the 59 EOIR Courts around the country. The judges and staff administer and interpret Federal immigration law and regulations through immigration court proceedings, appellate reviews, and administrative hearings.

On March 16, 2016, GSA awarded a 10 year lease for approximately 84,300 rentable square feet which will become effective immediately following the existing lease expirations on October 12, 2016. The original prospectus proposed to decrease OPLA's requirement by approximately 6,800 rentable square feet. OPLA is in the process of hiring 37 additional personnel not anticipated in the original prospectus to support the growing docket in the San Francisco EOIR Court and these personnel are anticipated to be onboard by July 2016. The existing space, removed from the previous prospectus is needed to meet this requirement. This prospectus decreases the requested approved rental rate per rentable square foot from \$76.00 to \$75.00, increases the estimated maximum rentable square feet from 85,000 to 91,100, and improves OPLA's overall utilization rate from 239 usable square feet (USF) per person to 210 USF per person.

**Summary of Energy Compliance**

GSA will incorporate energy efficiency requirements into the Request for Lease Proposals and other documents related to the procurement of space based on the approved prospectus. GSA encourages offerors to exceed minimum requirements set forth in the procurement and to achieve an Energy Star performance rating of 75 or higher.

**Resolutions of Approval**

Resolutions adopted by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works approving this prospectus will constitute approval to make appropriations to lease space in a facility that will yield the required rentable area.



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**AMENDED PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF IMMIGRATION REVIEW AND  
IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT  
SAN FRANCISCO, CA**

Prospectus Number: PCA-01-SF17  
Congressional District: 12

**Interim Leasing**

GSA will execute such interim leasing actions as are necessary to ensure continued housing of the tenant agency prior to the effective date of the new lease. It is in the best interest of the Government to avert the financial risk of holdover tenancy.

**Certification of Need**

The proposed lease is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.

Submitted at Washington, DC, on June 16, 2016

Recommended:   
Commissioner, Public Buildings Service

Approved:   
Administrator, General Services Administration

April 2016

Housing Plan  
Executive Office of Immigration Review (EOIR) and  
Office of Principle Legal Advisors (OPLA)

PCA-01SF17  
San Francisco, CA

Locations	EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 13, 2016						ESTIMATED/PROPOSED					
	Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF) <sup>1</sup>				Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF)			
	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total
100 Montgomery Street, SF (EOIR)	98	98	12,805		41,653	54,458						
100 Montgomery Street, SF (OPLA)	71	71	5,023		11,954	16,977						
Estimated/Proposed Lease EOIR							98	98	12,805		41,653	54,458
Estimated/Proposed Lease OPLA							108	108	10,726		11,954	22,680
<b>Total</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>17,828</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>53,607</b>	<b>71,435</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>23,531</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>53,607</b>	<b>77,138</b>

Office Utilization Rates (UR) <sup>2</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
EOIR	102	102
OPLA	55	77

UR=average amount of office space per person  
Current URs excludes 5,258 usf of office support space  
Proposed URs excludes 6,513 usf of office support space

Overall UR <sup>2</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
EOIR	556	556
OPLA	239	210

NOTES:

- <sup>1</sup>USF means the portion of the building available for use by a tenant's personnel and furnishings and space available jointly to the occupants of the building.
- <sup>2</sup>Calculation excludes Judiciary, Congress and agencies with less than 10 people
- <sup>3</sup>USF/Person = housing plan total USF divided by total personnel.
- <sup>4</sup>R/U Factor = Max RSF divided by total USF

R/U Factor <sup>4</sup>	Total USF	RSF/USF	Max RSF
Current	71,435	1.18	84,300
Estimated/Proposed	77,138	1.18	91,100

Agency	Special Space	USF
OPLA	Secure Files/Bulk Storage	2,578
OPLA	Break Room	480
OPLA	Secure Waiting Area	240
OPLA	Telecom Suite	1,639
OPLA	Conference/Training Rooms	2,030
OPLA	Office Support Centers	666
OPLA	Administration File Room	3,601
OPLA	Law Library	720
EOIR	Courtroom	22,440
EOIR	Judges Secure corridor	1,560
EOIR	Reception/Waiting Area	2,128
EOIR	Interpreter Waiting Room	195
EOIR	ProBono Rooms	312
EOIR	ADP	156
EOIR	Conference/Training Room	710
EOIR	Printer/Copy/Mail Room	748
EOIR	File Room	11,913
EOIR	File Archive Room	390
EOIR	Supply Rooms	420
EOIR	Break Rooms	390
EOIR	Staff Rest Rooms	291
	<b>Total</b>	<b>53,607</b>

## COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

LEASE—NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION, JACKSON AND CLAY COUNTIES, MISSOURI, AND JOHNSON COUNTY, KANSAS

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives*, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized for a lease of up to 806,794 rentable square feet of space, including 142 official parking spaces, for the National Archives and Records Administration, Federal Records Center currently located at 200 NW Space Center in Lee's Summit, Missouri at a proposed total annual cost of \$5,647,558 for a lease term of up to 20 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all

tenants, if necessary, prior to the execution of the new lease.

*Provided that*, the Administrator of General Services and tenant agencies agree to apply an overall utilization rate of 129 square feet or less per person, except that, if the Administrator determines that the overall utilization rate cannot be achieved, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided that*, except for interim leases as described above, the Administrator may not enter into any leases that are below prospectus level for the purposes of meeting any of the requirements, or portions thereof, included in the prospectus that would result in an overall utilization rate of 129 square feet or higher per person.

*Provided that*, to the maximum extent practicable, the Administrator shall include in the lease contract(s) a purchase option.

*Provided further*, that the Administrator shall require that the delineated area of the procurement is identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, except that, if the Administrator determines that the delineated area of the procurement should not be identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided further*, that the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

GSA

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION  
JACKSON AND CLAY COUNTIES, MISSOURI, AND JOHNSON  
COUNTY, KANSAS**

Prospectus Number: PMO-01-LS17  
Congressional District: MO 05, 06, KS 03

**Executive Summary**

The General Services Administration (GSA) proposes a lease of approximately 806,794 rentable square feet (RSF) for the National Archives and Records Administration – Federal Records Center (NARA-FRC), currently located at 200 NW Space Center, Lee’s Summit, MO.

The lease will provide continued housing for NARA-FRC, will maintain its current office utilization rate of 129 usable square feet (USF) per person, and allow for continued temporary and permanent record storage capabilities for Federal agencies.

**Description**

Occupant:	National Archives and Records Administration
Current Rentable Square Feet (RSF)	806,794 (Current RSF/USF = 1.00)
Estimated Maximum RSF:	806,794 (Proposed RSF/USF = 1.00)
Expansion/Reduction RSF:	None
Current Usable Square Feet/Person:	129
Estimated Usable Square Feet/Person:	129
Proposed Maximum Lease Term:	20 Years
Expiration Dates of Current Leases:	8/14/2017
Delineated Area:	Jackson and Clay Counties, Missouri, and Johnson County, Kansas
Number of Official Parking Spaces:	142
Scoring:	Operating lease
Estimated Rental Rate <sup>1</sup> :	\$7.00 / RSF

<sup>1</sup>This estimate is for fiscal year 2017 and may be escalated by 2.0 percent annually to the effective date of the lease to account for inflation. The proposed rental rate is fully serviced including all operating expenses whether paid by the lessor or directly by the Government. GSA will conduct the procurement using prevailing market rental rates as a benchmark for the evaluation of competitive offers and as a basis for negotiating with offerors to ensure that lease award is made in the best interest of the Government.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION  
JACKSON AND CLAY COUNTIES, MISSOURI, AND JOHNSON  
COUNTY, KANSAS**

Prospectus Number: PMO-01-LS17  
Congressional District: MO 05, 06, KS 03

Estimated Total Annual Cost <sup>2</sup> :	\$5,647,558
Current Total Annual Cost:	\$3,211,969 (Lease effective 8/15/1997)

**Acquisition Strategy**

The NARA-FRC is currently located in subterranean space. In order to maximize competition, GSA will consider aboveground and subterranean space for this procurement and will relocate the agency if economically advantageous to the Federal Government.

**Justification**

NARA-FRC is one of 18 Federal Records Centers across the nation used by Federal agencies for records-related services. The FRCs work together to provide temporary and permanent record storage services. The facility storage services are full at this location and any new incoming client boxes are accommodated by moving existing records to other Federal Records Centers or by the disposal of eligible records. The current location provides storage conditions that meet permanent or archival requirements, which accounts for 57 percent of permanent record storage.

NARA-FRC requires space to accommodate the movement, processing, and retrieving of large quantities of client record boxes into its computer systems, along with the ability to store client records in an environment that meets regulations for Federal Records Storage (36 CFR 1234). The movement of client record boxes is accommodated using eight-foot carts, which require ample circulation space for maneuvering. Although Federal agencies are attempting to convert to electronic storage, the demand for paper record storage still remains and since 2000 has grown by 2.38 percent per year.

<sup>2</sup>New leases may contain an escalation clause to provide for annual changes in real estate taxes and operating costs.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION  
JACKSON AND CLAY COUNTIES, MISSOURI, AND JOHNSON  
COUNTY, KANSAS**

Prospectus Number: PMO-01-LS17  
Congressional District: MO 05, 06, KS 03

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**Summary of Energy Compliance**

GSA will incorporate energy efficiency requirements into the Request for Lease Proposals and other documents related to the procurement of space based on the approved prospectus. GSA encourages offerors to exceed minimum requirements set forth in the procurement and to achieve an Energy Star performance rating of 75 or higher.

**Resolutions of Approval**

Resolutions adopted by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works approving this prospectus will constitute approval to make appropriations to lease space in a facility that will yield the required rentable area.

**Interim Leasing**

GSA will execute such interim leasing actions as are necessary to ensure continued housing of the tenant agency prior to the effective date of the new lease. It is in the best interest of the Government to avert the financial risk of holdover tenancy.

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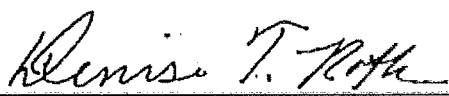
**Certification of Need**

The proposed project is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.

Submitted at Washington, DC, on August 9, 2016



Recommended: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Commissioner, Public Buildings Service



Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Administrator, General Services Administration

October 2015

Housing Plan  
National Archives And Records Administration

PMO-01-LS17  
Jackson and Clay Counties, MO  
and Johnson County, KS

Leased Locations	CURRENT						ESTIMATED/PROPOSED					
	Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF) <sup>1</sup>				Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF)			
	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total
200 NW Space Center	58	65	9,586	2,600	794,608	806,794						
Estimated/Proposed Lease							58	65	9,586	2,600	794,608	806,794
<b>Total</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>9,586</b>	<b>2,600</b>	<b>794,608</b>	<b>806,794</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>9,586</b>	<b>2,600</b>	<b>794,608</b>	<b>806,794</b>

Office Utilization Rate (UR) <sup>2</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	129	129

UR=average amount of office space per person  
Current UR excludes 2,109 usf of office support space  
Proposed UR excludes 2,109 usf of office support space

Overall UR <sup>3</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	N/A	N/A

R/U Factor <sup>4</sup>			
	Total USF	RSF/USF	Max RSF
Current	806,794	1.00	806,794
Estimated/Proposed	806,794	1.00	806,794

Special Space	USF
Warehouse	787,705
Automatic Data Processing	512
Conference/Training	1,252
Food Service	2,109
Janitorial Closet	186
Laboratory	301
Restrooms	1,315
Mail Receiving	702
Workroom	209
File & Copy	317
<b>Total</b>	<b>794,608</b>

NOTES:

- <sup>1</sup>USF means the portion of the building available for use by a tenant's personnel and furnishings and space available jointly to the occupants of the building.
- <sup>2</sup>Calculation excludes Judiciary, Congress and agencies with less than 10 people. Circulation requirement of 40% for movement/processing of client storage above the normal 22%, moved extra circulation to storage.
- <sup>3</sup>USF/Person = housing plan total USF divided by total personnel.
- <sup>4</sup>R/U Factor = Max RSF divided by total USF



## COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

LEASE—SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION,  
FORT WORTH, TX

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives*, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized for a lease of up to 163,000 rentable square feet of space, including 3 official parking spaces, for the Small Business Administration, Office of Disaster Assistance currently located at 14951 and 14925 Kingsport Drive in Dallas, Texas at a proposed total annual cost of \$4,727,000 for a lease term of up to 15 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to the execution of the new lease.

*Provided that*, the Administrator of General Services and tenant agencies agree to apply an overall utilization rate of 292 square feet or less per person, except that, if the Administrator determines that the overall utilization rate cannot be achieved, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided that*, except for interim leases as described above, the Administrator may not enter into any leases that are below prospectus level for the purposes of meeting any of the requirements, or portions thereof, included in the prospectus that would result in an overall utilization rate of 292 square feet or higher per person.

*Provided that*, to the maximum extent practicable, the Administrator shall include in the lease contract(s) a purchase option.

*Provided further*, that the Administrator shall require that the delineated area of the procurement is identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, except that, if the Administrator determines that the delineated area of the procurement should not be identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided further*, that the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION  
FORT WORTH, TX**

Prospectus Number: PTX-01-FW17  
Congressional District: 6, 12, 24, 26, 30, 33

**Executive Summary**

The General Services Administration (GSA) proposes a lease of approximately 163,000 rentable square feet (RSF) of space for the Small Business Administration (SBA), Office of Disaster Assistance (ODA), currently located in leased space at 14951 and 14925 Kingsport Drive in Dallas, TX.

The proposed lease will provide continued housing and allow SBA to rapidly respond to disasters. Space utilization will vary, depending on staffing levels during an emergency response. The office utilization will range from 164 to 47 usable square feet (USF) per person, and the overall utilization rate will range from 292 to 83 USF per person, resulting in SBA being housed in approximately 17,000 RSF less space than it has at the current locations. In the absence of this reduction, the status quo cost of continued occupancy at the proposed market rental rate would be \$5,220,000 per year.

**Description**

Occupant:	Small Business Administration
Current Rentable Square Feet (RSF)	180,000 (RSF/USF = 1.01)
Estimated Maximum RSF:	163,000 (RSF/USF = 1.15)
Expansion/Reduction RSF:	17,000 (Reduction)
Current Usable Square Feet/Person:	392
Estimated Usable Square Feet/Person:	292
Proposed Maximum Lease Term:	15 Years
Expiration Dates of Current Leases:	9/03/2017 and 7/23/2018
Delineated Area:	North: Southlake Blvd to Highway 114 to Highway 635 South: Highway 303 East: Interstate 25 to Highway 12 West: Loop 820 to Davis Boulevard
Number of Official Parking Spaces:	3
Scoring:	Operating lease
Estimated Proposed Rental Rate <sup>1</sup> :	\$29.00/ RSF
Estimated Total Annual Cost <sup>2</sup> :	\$4,727,000

<sup>1</sup>This estimate is for fiscal year 2018 and may be escalated by 1.95 percent annually to the effective date of the lease to account for inflation. The proposed rental rate is fully serviced including all operating expenses whether paid by the lessor or directly by the Government. GSA will conduct the procurement using prevailing market rental rates as a benchmark for negotiating this lease to ensure that lease award is made in the best interest of the Government.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION  
FORT WORTH, TX**

Prospectus Number: PTX-01-FW17  
Congressional District: 6, 12, 24, 26, 30, 33

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Current Total Annual Cost: \$4,264,000 (Leases effective 7/24/2003  
and 09/04/2007)

**Justification**

SBA ODA has been housed under three leases at 14951 and 14925 Kingsport Drive in Fort Worth, TX since July 2003 and September 2007, respectively and has an ongoing need to house its Disaster Assistance Processing and Disbursement Center (PDC).

Working with other SBA and Department of Homeland Security - Federal Emergency Management Agency offices, the PDC is one of six disaster assistance offices nationwide. Each disaster assistance office serves a unique function and the PDC is responsible for processing all disaster loan applications, including application entry, scanning, and processing. The PDC is also responsible for all loan approvals, loan document generation, loan closing, and disbursement of loan proceeds. The PDC requires adequate space for periods of "surge" when as many as 1700 employees offer assistance in support of disaster recovery efforts.

The other SBA disaster assistance offices include the Disaster Assistance Customer Service Center, Disaster Assistance Field Operations Centers East and West, Office of Disaster Personnel, Administrative Services Center, Disaster Credit Management System Operations Center, and the Damage Verification Center.

**Summary of Energy Compliance**

GSA will incorporate energy efficiency requirements into the Request for Lease Proposals and other documents related to the procurement of space based on the approved prospectus. GSA encourages offerors to exceed minimum requirements set forth in the procurement and to achieve an Energy Star performance rating of 75 or higher.

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<sup>2</sup>New leases may contain an escalation clause to provide for annual changes in real estate taxes and operating costs.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION  
FORT WORTH, TX**

Prospectus Number: PTX-01-FW17  
Congressional District: 6, 12, 24, 26, 30, 33

**Resolutions of Approval**

Resolutions adopted by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works approving this prospectus will constitute approval to make appropriations to lease space in a facility that will yield the required rentable area.

**Interim Leasing**

GSA will execute such interim leasing actions as are necessary to ensure continued housing of the tenant agency prior to the effective date of the new lease. It is in the best interest of the Government to avert the financial risk of holdover tenancy.

**Certification of Need**

The proposed lease is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.


Submitted at Washington, DC, on 8/17/2016

Recommended:



Commissioner, Public Buildings Service

Approved:



Administrator, General Services Administration

October 2015

Housing Plan  
Small Business Administration

PTX-01-FW17  
Fort Worth, TX

Leased Locations	CURRENT						ESTIMATED/PROPOSED					
	Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF) <sup>1</sup>			Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF)				
	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total
14925 Kingsport Drive, Ft. Worth, TX			54,822		24,300	79,122						
14951 Kingsport Drive, Ft. Worth, TX			98,640			98,640						
Estimated/Proposed Lease							485	485	101,854	6,000	33,600	141,454
<b>Total</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>153,462</b>		<b>24,300</b>	<b>177,762</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>101,854</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>33,600</b>	<b>141,454</b>

Office Utilization Rate (UR) <sup>2</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	264	164

UR=average amount of office space per person  
 Current UR excludes 33,762 usf of office support space  
 Proposed UR excludes 24,982 usf of office support space

Special Space	USF
Conference and Training	16,000
Warehouse	10,000
Food Service	6,000
ADP	1,600
<b>Total</b>	<b>33,600</b>

Overall UR <sup>3</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	392	292

R/U Factor <sup>4</sup>	Total USF	RSF/USF	Max RSF
Current	177,762	1.01	180,000
Estimated/Proposed	141,454	1.15	163,000

NOTES:

<sup>1</sup>USF means the portion of the building available for use by a tenant's personnel and furnishings and space available jointly to the occupants of the building.

<sup>2</sup>Calculation excludes Judiciary, Congress and agencies with less than 10 people

<sup>3</sup>USF/Person = housing plan total USF divided by total personnel. The overall utilization will range from 292 to 83 USF/person during an employee surge of up to 1707 for disaster response.

<sup>4</sup>R/U Factor = Max RSF divided by total USF

## COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

LEASE—EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY  
COMMISSION, WASHINGTON, DC

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized for a lease of up to 170,000 rentable square feet of space, including 10 official parking spaces, for the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission currently located at 131 M Street NE in Washington, D.C. at a proposed total annual cost of \$8,500,000 for a lease term of up to 15 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.*

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to the execution of the new lease.

*Provided that, the Administrator of General Services and tenant agencies agree to apply an overall utilization rate of 215 square feet or less per person, except that, if the Administrator determines that the overall utilization rate cannot be achieved, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.*

*Provided that, except for interim leases as described above, the Administrator may not enter into any leases that are below prospectus level for the purposes of meeting any of the requirements, or portions thereof, included in the prospectus that would result in an overall utilization rate of 215 square feet or higher per person.*

*Provided that, to the maximum extent practicable, the Administrator shall include in the lease contract(s) a purchase option.*

*Provided further, that the Administrator shall require that the delineated area of the procurement is identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, except that, if the Administrator determines that the delineated area of the procurement should not be identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.*

*Provided further, that the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.*

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-09-WA17

**Executive Summary**

The General Services Administration (GSA) proposes a lease for approximately 170,000 rentable square feet (RSF) for the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), currently located at 131 M Street NE in Washington, DC.

The lease will provide continued housing for EEOC, and will improve EEOC office and overall utilization rates from 146 to 130 usable square feet (USF) per person and 240 to 215 USF per person, respectively.

**Description**

Occupant:	Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
Current Rentable Square Feet (RSF)	160,995 (Current RSF/USF = 1.15)
Estimated Maximum RSF <sup>1</sup> :	170,000 (Proposed RSF/USF = 1.20)
Expansion/Reduction RSF:	None
Current Usable Square Feet/Person:	240
Estimated Usable Square Feet/Person:	215
Proposed Maximum Leasing Authority:	15 years
Expiration Dates of Current Lease(s):	10/08/2018
Delineated Area:	Washington, DC Central Employment Area
Number of Official Parking Spaces:	10
Scoring:	Operating Lease
Estimated Rental Rate <sup>2</sup> :	\$50.00/RSF
Estimated Total Annual Cost <sup>3</sup> :	\$8,500,000
Current Total Annual Cost:	\$6,825,841 (leases effective 10/9/2008)

<sup>1</sup> The RSF/USF at the current location is approximately 1.15; however, to maximize competition a RSF/USF ratio of 1.20 is used for the proposed maximum RSF as indicated in the housing plan.

<sup>2</sup> This estimate is for fiscal year 2018 and may be escalated by 1.95 percent annually to the effective date of the lease to account for inflation. The proposed rental rate is fully serviced including all operating expenses, whether paid by the lessor or directly by the Government. GSA will conduct the procurement using prevailing market rental rates as a benchmark for the evaluation of competitive offers and as the basis for negotiating with offerors to ensure that lease award is made in the best interest of the Government.

<sup>3</sup> New leases may contain an escalation clause to provide for annual changes in real estate taxes and operating costs.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-09-WA17

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**Background**

The EEOC is a bipartisan commission comprised of five presidentially appointed members, including the Chair, Vice Chair, and three Commissioners. The EEOC is responsible for enforcing Federal laws that make it illegal to discriminate against a job applicant or an employee because of the person's race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy), national origin, age (40 or older), disability, or genetic information. It is also illegal to discriminate against a person because the person complained about discrimination, filed a charge of discrimination, or participated in an employment discrimination investigation or lawsuit. The EEOC has the authority to investigate charges of discrimination against employers that are covered by the law. Additionally, the EEOC provides leadership and guidance to Federal agencies on all aspects of the Federal Government's equal employment opportunity program.

**Justification**

The current lease at 131 M Street NE expires on October 8, 2018. The EEOC is projecting a staffing increase of new hires to address Federal and private sector case backlog. The EEOC requires continued housing for the personnel currently working in this location, as well as those additional personnel anticipated to be hired.

**Acquisition Strategy**

In order to maximize the flexibility and competition in acquiring space to the EEOC, GSA may issue a single, multiple-award solicitation that will allow offerors to provide blocks of space able to meet requirements in whole or in part. All offers must provide space consistent with the delineated area defined by this prospectus.

**Summary of Energy Compliance**

GSA will incorporate energy efficiency requirements into the Request for Lease Proposals and other documents related to the procurement of space based on the approved prospectus. GSA encourages offerors to exceed minimum requirements set forth in the procurement and to achieve an Energy Star performance rating of 75 or higher.

**Resolutions of Approval**

Resolutions adopted by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works approving this prospectus will constitute approval to make appropriations to lease space in a facility that will yield the required rentable area.



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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-09-WA17

**Interim Leasing**

GSA will execute such interim leasing actions as are necessary to ensure continued housing of the tenant agency prior to the effective date of the new lease. It is in the best interest of the Government to avert the financial risk of holdover tenancy.

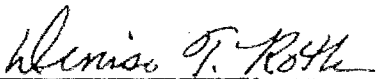
**Certification of Need**

The proposed project is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.

Submitted at Washington, DC, on August 17, 2016



Recommended: \_\_\_\_\_  
Commissioner, Public Buildings Service



Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Administrator, General Services Administration

May 2016

Housing Plan  
Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

PDC-09-WA17  
Washington, DC

Leased Locations	CURRENT						ESTIMATED/PROPOSED					
	Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF) <sup>1</sup>				Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF)			
	Office	Total	Office	Supplies/Storage	Special	Total	Office	Total	Office	Supplies/Storage	Special	Total
131 M Street, NE, Washington, DC	581	581	108,815	2,045	28,640	139,500						
Estimated/Proposed Lease							659	659	109,970	1,875	29,608	141,453
<b>Total</b>	<b>581</b>	<b>581</b>	<b>108,815</b>	<b>2,045</b>	<b>28,640</b>	<b>139,500</b>	<b>659</b>	<b>659</b>	<b>109,970</b>	<b>1,875</b>	<b>29,608</b>	<b>141,453</b>

Office Utilization Rate (UR) <sup>2</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	146	130

UR = average amount of office space per person  
 Current UR excludes 23,939 usf of office support space  
 Proposed UR excludes 24,193 usf of office support space

Overall UR <sup>3</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	240	215

R/U Factor <sup>4</sup>			
	Total USF	RSF/USF	Max RSF
Current	139,500	1.15	160,995
Estimated/Proposed	141,453	1.20	170,000

Special Space	USF
Health Unit	651
X-Ray	200
Conference	21,476
File/ Records	3,805
LAN	1,660
Mail	712
Library	1,104
<b>Total</b>	<b>29,608</b>

NOTES:

- <sup>1</sup> USF means the portion of the building available for use by a tenant's personnel and furnishings and space available jointly to the occupants of the building.
- <sup>2</sup> Calculation excludes Judiciary, Congress and agencies with less than 10 people
- <sup>3</sup> USF/Person = housing plan total USF divided by total personnel.
- <sup>4</sup> R/U Factor = Max RSF divided by total USF

## COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

LEASE, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY,  
FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY,  
WASHINGTON, DC

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives*, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized for a lease extension of up to 116,675 rentable square feet of space, including 6 official parking spaces, for a portion of the Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency headquarters functions currently located at 400 C Street SW and 800 K Street NW in Washington, D.C., and 1800 South Bell Street in Arlington, Virginia at a proposed total annual cost of \$5,483,725 for a lease term of up to 3 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all

tenants, if necessary, prior to the execution of the new lease.

*Provided that*, the Administrator of General Services and tenant agencies agree to apply an overall utilization rate of 108 square feet or less per person, except that, if the Administrator determines that the overall utilization rate cannot be achieved, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided that*, except for interim leases as described above, the Administrator may not enter into any leases that are below prospectus level for the purposes of meeting any of the requirements, or portions thereof, included in the prospectus that would result in an overall utilization rate of 108 square feet or higher per person.

*Provided that*, to the maximum extent practicable, the Administrator shall include in the lease contract(s) a purchase option.

*Provided further*, that the Administrator shall require that the delineated area of the procurement is identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, except that, if the Administrator determines that the delineated area of the procurement should not be identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided further*, that the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY  
FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-01-WA17

**Executive Summary**

The General Services Administration (GSA) proposes a lease for approximately 116,675 rentable square feet (RSF) for a portion of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) headquarters functions currently located in four leases at 400 C Street SW and 800 K Street NW in Washington, DC, and 1800 South Bell Street in Arlington, VA. GSA proposes to consolidate the FEMA components, currently dispersed across three locations, under one lease and improve overall and office utilization rates from 219 to 108 usable square feet (USF) per person and from 156 to 69 USF per person, respectively. The lease will provide continued housing for FEMA prior to its planned move to the St. Elizabeths campus in accordance with the Enhanced Plan for the DHS headquarters consolidation.

**Description**

Occupant:	Federal Emergency Management Agency
Lease Type	Extension
Current Rentable Square Feet (RSF)	233,198 (Current RSF/USF = 1.19)
Estimated Maximum RSF:	116,675 (Proposed RSF/USF = 1.20)
Expansion/Reduction RSF:	116,523 (Reduction)
Current Usable Square Feet/Person:	219
Estimated Usable Square Feet/Person:	108
Proposed Maximum Leasing Authority:	up to 3 years
Expiration Dates of Current Leases:	11/30/2016, 01/02/2018, 09/30/2019, 10/01/2020
Delineated Area:	Washington, DC, Central Employment Area
Number of Official Parking Spaces <sup>1</sup> :	6
Scoring:	Operating Lease
Estimated Rental Rate <sup>2</sup> :	\$47.00/RSF
Estimated Total Annual Cost <sup>3</sup> :	\$5,483,725
Current Total Annual Cost:	\$9,550,150

<sup>1</sup> FEMA security requirements necessitate control of the parking at a leased location. This control is accomplished as a separate operating agreement with the lessor.

<sup>2</sup> This estimate is for fiscal year 2018 and may be escalated by 2.1 percent annually to the effective date of the lease to account for inflation. GSA will conduct the procurement using prevailing market rental rates as a benchmark for negotiating this lease to ensure that lease award is made in the best interest of the Government. The proposed rental rate is fully serviced including all operating expenses whether paid by the lessor or directly by the Government.

<sup>3</sup> New leases may contain an escalation clause to provide for annual changes in real estate taxes and operating costs.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY  
FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-01-WA17

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**Background**

FEMA's mission is to support Americans and first responders to ensure that as a Nation we work together to build, sustain, and improve our capability to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate all hazards. The Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, Public Law 100-707, signed into law November 23, 1988, amended the Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288. It created the system in place today by which a Presidential Disaster Declaration of an emergency triggers financial and physical assistance through FEMA. The Act gives FEMA the responsibility for coordinating government-wide relief efforts.

**Justification**

The lease at 400 C Street expires prior to FEMA's planned move to St. Elizabeths campus under the Enhanced Plan. GSA currently pays approximately \$5.5 million in annual rent for the leases that are proposed to be housed in this extension, a cost to the Government and taxpayer that will no longer be incurred once the Enhanced Plan is fully executed. Therefore, authorization is needed to extend the lease for a short term to align with the move to St. Elizabeths. As the leases at 800 K Street, NW, expire in 2016 and 2019, personnel will relocate to 400 C Street, SW. The personnel in the lease at 1800 South Bell Street will backfill the lease at 400 C Street, SW, by the end of the 2016. The balance of the leased space, not necessary under the extension, will be returned to the lessor.

The President's Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 budget proposed the funding necessary to complete the design and construction of a new facility to house FEMA at the St. Elizabeth's campus. As presented in the FY 2017 capital program prospectus in support of the DHS consolidation at the St. Elizabeths campus, GSA anticipates that construction completion of the new FEMA facility will occur in FY 2019.

**Resolutions of Approval**

Resolutions adopted by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works approving this prospectus will constitute approval to make appropriations to lease space in a facility that will yield the required rentable area.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
 DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY  
 FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY  
 WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-01-WA17

**Interim Leasing**

GSA will execute such interim leasing actions as are necessary to ensure continued housing of the tenant agency prior to the effective date of the new lease. It is in the best interest of the Government to avert the financial risk of holdover tenancy.

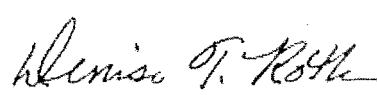
**Certification of Need**

The proposed project is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.

Submitted at Washington, DC, on August 19, 2016



Recommended: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Commissioner, Public Buildings Service



Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Administrator, General Services Administration

September 2015

Housing Plan  
 Department of Homeland Security  
 Federal Emergency Management Agency

PDC-01-WA17  
 Washington, DC

Leased Locations	CURRENT							ESTIMATED/PROPOSED					
	Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF) <sup>1</sup>				Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF)				
	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total	
400 C Street, SW, Washington, DC	65	65	17,353	-	1,714	19,067							
800 K Street, NW, Washington, DC	317	317	85,622	-	8,473	94,095							
1800 South Bell Street, Arlington, VA	515	515	75,938	-	7,518	83,456							
Estimated/Proposed Lease							897	897	79,523	-	17,705	97,228	
<b>Total</b>	<b>897</b>	<b>897</b>	<b>178,913</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17,705</b>	<b>196,618</b>	<b>897</b>	<b>897</b>	<b>79,523</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17,705</b>	<b>97,228</b>	

Office Utilization Rate (UR) <sup>2</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	156	69

UR = average amount of office space per person  
 Current UR excludes 39,361 usf of office support space  
 Proposed UR excludes 17,495 usf of office support space

Overall UR <sup>3</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	219	108

R/U Factor <sup>4</sup>			
	Total USF	RSF/USF	Max RSF
Current	196,618	1.19	233,198
Estimated/Proposed	97,228	1.20	116,675

NOTES:

- <sup>1</sup> USF means the portion of the building available for use by a tenant's personnel and furnishings and space available jointly to the occupants of the building.
- <sup>2</sup> Calculation excludes Judiciary, Congress and agencies with less than 10 people
- <sup>3</sup> USF/Person = housing plan total USF divided by total personnel. 1.20 RSF/USF is GSA standard for new leases to expand competitive market.
- <sup>4</sup> R/U Factor = Max RSF divided by total USF

Special Space	USF
Conference Center	5,424
Conference / Training	5,468
Pantry / Break	3,598
Locker Room / Showers	636
Lactation Room	130
Accountable Property Storage	987
Print / Copy / Mail Room	1,006
Inter. Dist. Frame	456
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,705</b>

## COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

LEASE, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY, WASHINGTON, DC

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives*, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized for a lease extension of up to 303,546 rentable square feet of space, including 17 official parking spaces, for the Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency headquarters currently located in Federal Center Plaza I at 500 C Street SW in Washington, D.C. at a proposed total annual cost of \$14,266,662 for a lease term of up to 1 year, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all

tenants, if necessary, prior to the execution of the new lease.

*Provided that*, the Administrator of General Services and tenant agencies agree to apply an overall utilization rate of 134 square feet or less per person, except that, if the Administrator determines that the overall utilization rate cannot be achieved, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided that*, except for interim leases as described above, the Administrator may not enter into any leases that are below prospectus level for the purposes of meeting any of the requirements, or portions thereof, included in the prospectus that would result in an overall utilization rate of 134 square feet or higher per person.

*Provided that*, to the maximum extent practicable, the Administrator shall include in the lease contract(s) a purchase option.

*Provided further*, that the Administrator shall require that the delineated area of the procurement is identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, except that, if the Administrator determines that the delineated area of the procurement should not be identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided further*, that the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.



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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY  
FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-02-WA17

**Executive Summary**

The General Services Administration (GSA) proposes a lease for approximately 303,546 rentable square feet (RSF) for the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) headquarters currently located in Federal Center Plaza I at 500 C Street SW in Washington, DC. The lease will provide housing for the agency prior to its planned move to the St. Elizabeths campus in accordance with the Enhanced Plan for the DHS headquarters consolidation.

**Description**

Occupant:	Federal Emergency Management Agency
Lease Type	Extension
Current Rentable Square Feet (RSF)	303,546 (Current RSF/USF = 1.10)
Estimated Maximum RSF:	303,546 (Proposed RSF/USF = 1.10)
Expansion/Reduction RSF:	None
Current Usable Square Feet/Person:	134
Estimated Usable Square Feet/Person:	134
Proposed Maximum Leasing Authority:	Up to 1 year from date of expiration
Expiration Dates of Current Leases:	08/16/2019
Delineated Area:	Washington, DC, Central Employment Area
Number of Official Parking Spaces <sup>1</sup> :	17
Scoring:	Operating Lease
Estimated Rental Rate <sup>2</sup> :	\$47.00/RSF
Estimated Total Annual Cost <sup>3</sup> :	\$14,266,662
Current Total Annual Cost:	\$11,894,682

<sup>1</sup> FEMA security requirements necessitate control of the parking at a leased location. This control is accomplished as a separate operating agreement with the lessor.

<sup>2</sup> This estimate is for fiscal year 2019 and may be escalated by 2.1 percent annually to the effective date of the lease to account for inflation. GSA will conduct the procurement using prevailing market rental rates as a benchmark for negotiating this lease to ensure that lease award is made in the best interest of the Government. The proposed rental rate is fully serviced including all operating expenses whether paid by the lessor or directly by the Government.

<sup>3</sup> New leases may contain an escalation clause to provide for annual changes in real estate taxes and operating costs.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY  
FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-02-WA17

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**Background**

FEMA's mission is to support Americans and first responders to ensure that as a Nation we work together to build, sustain, and improve our capability to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate all hazards. The Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, Public Law 100-707, signed into law November 23, 1988, amended the Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288. It created the system in place today by which a Presidential Disaster Declaration of an emergency triggers financial and physical assistance through FEMA. The Act gives FEMA the responsibility for coordinating government-wide relief efforts.

**Justification**

The lease at Federal Center Plaza I at 500 C Street SW in Washington, DC, expires prior to FEMA's planned move to St. Elizabeths campus under the Enhanced Plan. GSA currently pays approximately \$11.9 million in annual rent for the leases that are proposed to be housed in this extension, a cost to the Government and taxpayer that will no longer be incurred once the Enhanced Plan is fully executed. Therefore, authorization is needed to extend the lease for a short term to align with the move to St. Elizabeths. FEMA will realize a smaller footprint and an improved utilization rate once the agency moves to St. Elizabeths.

The President's Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 budget proposed the funding necessary to complete the design and construction of a new facility to house FEMA at the St. Elizabeths campus. As presented in the FY 2017 capital program prospectus in support of the DHS consolidation at St. Elizabeths, GSA anticipates that construction completion of the new FEMA facility will occur in FY 2019.

**Resolutions of Approval**

Resolutions adopted by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works approving this prospectus will constitute approval to make appropriations to lease space in a facility that will yield the required rentable area.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY  
FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-02-WA17

**Interim Leasing**

GSA will execute such interim leasing actions as are necessary to ensure continued housing of the tenant agency prior to the effective date of the new lease. It is in the best interest of the Government to avert the financial risk of holdover tenancy.

**Certification of Need**

The proposed project is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.

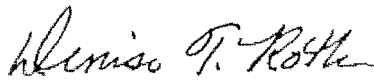
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Recommended: \_\_\_\_\_



Commissioner, Public Buildings Service

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_



Administrator, General Services Administration

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Housing Plan  
Department of Homeland Security  
Federal Emergency Management Agency

PDC-02-WA17  
Washington, DC

Leased Locations	CURRENT						ESTIMATED/PROPOSED					
	Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF) <sup>1</sup>				Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF)			
	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total
500 C Street, SW, Washington, DC	2,047	2,047	196,290	1,248	77,689	275,227						
Estimated/Proposed Lease							2,047	2,047	196,290	1,248	77,689	275,227
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,047</b>	<b>2,047</b>	<b>196,290</b>	<b>1,248</b>	<b>77,689</b>	<b>275,227</b>	<b>2,047</b>	<b>2,047</b>	<b>196,290</b>	<b>1,248</b>	<b>77,689</b>	<b>275,227</b>

Office Utilization Rate (UR) <sup>2</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	75	75

UR = average amount of office space per person  
Current UR excludes 43,184 usf of office support space  
Proposed UR excludes 43,184 usf of office support space

Overall UR <sup>3</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	134	134

R/U Factor <sup>4</sup>			
	Total USF	RSF/USF	Max RSF
Current	275,227	1.10	303,546
Estimated/Proposed	275,227	1.10	303,546

- NOTES:  
<sup>1</sup> USF means the portion of the building available for use by a tenant's personnel and furnishings and space available jointly to the occupants of the building.  
<sup>2</sup> Calculation excludes Judiciary, Congress and agencies with less than 10 people  
<sup>3</sup> USF/Person = housing plan total USF divided by total personnel. 1.20 RSF/USF is GSA standard for new leases to expand competitive market.  
<sup>4</sup> R/U Factor = Max RSF divided by total USF

Special Space	USF
Conference / Training	18,440
Pantry / Break	5,291
Health Unit	857
SCIF	15,732
Command Center (NRCC)	10,626
Lactation Rooms	255
Private Toilet	141
Accountable Property Storage	3,167
Print / Graphic / Copy / Mail	5,734
TV Studio	670
Press Room	1,697
Lab	4,026
AV Room	155
Inter. Dist. Frame	4,831
Security Command Center	2,107
Security Lab	1,096
Ant / Gen / UPS / Quick Con	1,534
Mechanical Rooms	1,330
<b>Total</b>	<b>77,689</b>

## COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

LEASE—DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY,  
IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT,  
WASHINGTON, DC

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the US. House of Representatives, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized for a lease extension of up to 104,934 rentable square feet of space, including 6 official parking spaces, for the Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement currently located at 801 Eye Street, NW in Washington, D.C. at a proposed total annual cost of \$4,722,000 for a lease term of up to 3 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.*

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all

tenants, if necessary, prior to the execution of the new lease.

*Provided that, the Administrator of General Services and tenant agencies agree to apply an overall utilization rate of 174 square feet or less per person, except that, if the Administrator determines that the overall utilization rate cannot be achieved, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.*

*Provided that, except for interim leases as described above, the Administrator may not enter into any leases that are below prospectus level for the purposes of meeting any of the requirements, or portions thereof, included in the prospectus that would result in an overall utilization rate of 174 square feet or higher per person.*

*Provided that, to the maximum extent practicable, the Administrator shall include in the lease contract(s) a purchase option.*

*Provided further, that the Administrator shall require that the delineated area of the procurement is identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, except that, if the Administrator determines that the delineated area of the procurement should not be identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.*

*Provided further, that the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.*

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY  
IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-03-WA17

**Executive Summary**

The General Services Administration (GSA) proposes a lease of approximately 104,934 rentable square feet for the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), currently located at 801 Eye Street NW, Washington, DC. ICE has occupied space in the building since January 15, 2009, under a lease that expires December 31, 2018.

The lease will enable ICE to provide continued housing for current personnel and meet its current mission requirements. Improvement to ICE's utilization rate will be achieved upon the agency's move to the St. Elizabeths campus under the Enhanced Plan for the Consolidated DHS Headquarters.

**Description**

Occupant:	Immigration and Customs Enforcement
Lease Type	Extension
Current Rentable Square Feet (RSF)	104,934 (Current RSF/USF = 1.09)
Estimated Maximum RSF:	104,934 (Proposed RSF/USF = 1.09)
Expansion/Reduction RSF:	None
Current Usable Square Feet/Person:	174
Estimated Usable Square Feet/Person:	174
Proposed Maximum Leasing Authority:	Up to 3 years from date of expiration
Expiration Dates of Current Leases:	12/31/2018
Delineated Area:	Washington, DC, Central Employment Area
Number of Official Parking Spaces:	6
Scoring:	Operating Lease
Estimated Rental Rate <sup>1</sup> :	\$45.00/RSF
Estimated Total Annual Cost <sup>2</sup> :	\$4,722,000
Current Total Annual Cost:	\$5,106,000 (1/15/2009)

<sup>1</sup> This estimate is for fiscal year 2018 and may be escalated by 2.1 percent annually to the effective date of the lease to account for inflation. The proposed rental rate is fully serviced, including all operating expenses whether paid by the lessor or directly by the Government. GSA will conduct the procurement using prevailing market rental rates as a benchmark for negotiating this lease to ensure that lease award is made in the best interest of the Government.

<sup>2</sup> Any new lease may contain escalation clauses to provide for annual changes in real estate taxes and operating costs.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY  
IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-03-WA17

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**Justification**

The current lease at 801 Eye Street NW, Washington, DC, expires December 31, 2018, and will expire prior to ICE's move to the St. Elizabeths campus under the Enhanced Plan. GSA pays approximately \$5.1 million in annual rent, a cost to the Government and taxpayer that will no longer be incurred once the Enhanced Plan is fully executed. Therefore, authorization is needed to extend the lease for a short term to align with the move to St. Elizabeths. ICE will attain a reduced footprint upon the move to the St. Elizabeths campus. Retrofit of ICE space to achieve a reduction in square footage is not cost beneficial under this short-term extension

**Resolutions of Approval**

Resolutions adopted by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works approving this prospectus will constitute approval to make appropriations to lease space in a facility that will yield the required rentable area.

**Interim Leasing**

GSA will execute such interim leasing actions as are necessary to ensure continued housing of the tenant agency prior to the effective date of the lease. It is in the best interest of the Government to avert the financial risk of holdover tenancy.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY  
IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-03-WA17

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**Certification of Need**

The proposed project is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.

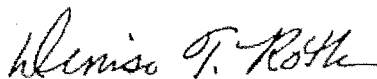
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Recommended:



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Commissioner, Public Buildings Service

Approved:



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Administrator, General Services Administration



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**Housing Plan  
Department of Homeland Security  
Immigration and Customs Enforcement**

PDC-03-WA17  
Washington, DC

Leased Locations	CURRENT						ESTIMATED/PROPOSED					
	Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF) <sup>1</sup>				Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF)			
	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total
801 Eye St NW - Techworld II	556	556	93,960	-	2,597	96,557						
Estimated/Proposed Lease							556	556	93,960	-	2,597	96,557
<b>Total</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>93,960</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,597</b>	<b>96,557</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>93,960</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,597</b>	<b>96,557</b>

Office Utilization Rate (UR) <sup>2</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	132	132

UR=average amount of office space per person  
Current UR excludes 20,671 usf of office support space  
Proposed UR excludes 20,671 usf of office support space

Special Space	USF
Conference Room (Town Hall)	1,844
Secure Data Network (HSDN)	753
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,597</b>

Overall UR <sup>3</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	174	174

R/U Factor <sup>4</sup>	Total USF	RSF/USF	Max RSF
Current	96,557	1.09	104,934
Estimated/Proposed	96,557	1.09	104,934

NOTES:

- <sup>1</sup>USF means the portion of the building available for use by a tenant's personnel and furnishings and space available jointly to the occupants of the building.
- <sup>2</sup>Calculation excludes Judiciary, Congress and agencies with less than 10 people
- <sup>3</sup>USF/Person = housing plan total USF divided by total personnel.
- <sup>4</sup>R/U Factor = Max RSF divided by total USF

## COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

LEASE—DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT, WASHINGTON, DC

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives*, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized for a lease extension of up to 502,997 rentable square feet of space for the Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement currently located at 500 12th Street SW in Washington, D.C. at a proposed total annual cost of \$22,635,000 for a lease term of up to 4 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to the execution of the new lease.

*Provided that*, the Administrator of General Services and tenant agencies agree to apply an overall utilization rate of 238 square feet or less per person, except that, if the Administrator determines that the overall utilization rate cannot be achieved, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided that*, except for interim leases as described above, the Administrator may not enter into any leases that are below prospectus level for the purposes of meeting any of the requirements, or portions thereof, included in the prospectus that would result in an overall utilization rate of 238 square feet or higher per person.

*Provided that*, to the maximum extent practicable, the Administrator shall include in the lease contract(s) a purchase option.

*Provided further*, that the Administrator shall require that the delineated area of the procurement is identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, except that, if the Administrator determines that the delineated area of the procurement should not be identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided further*, that the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY  
IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-04-WA17

**Executive Summary**

The General Services Administration (GSA) proposes a lease for approximately 502,997 rentable square feet for the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), currently located at 500 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Washington, DC. ICE has occupied space in the building since January 17, 2008, under two leases that expire January 16, 2018.

The lease will enable ICE to provide continued housing for the current personnel and meet its current mission requirements. Improvement to ICE's utilization rate will be achieved upon the agency's move to the St. Elizabeths campus under the Enhanced Plan for DHS headquarters consolidation.

**Description**

Occupant:	Immigration and Customs Enforcement
Lease Type	Extension
Current Rentable Square Feet (RSF)	502,997 (Current RSF/USF = 1.10)
Estimated Maximum RSF:	502,997 (Proposed RSF/USF = 1.10)
Expansion/Reduction RSF:	None
Current Usable Square Feet/Person:	238
Estimated Usable Square Feet/Person:	238
Proposed Maximum Leasing Authority:	Up to 4 years from current expiration
Expiration Dates of Current Leases:	01/16/2018
Delineated Area:	Washington, DC, Central Employment Area
Number of Official Parking Spaces <sup>1</sup> :	0
Scoring:	Operating Lease
Estimated Rental Rate <sup>2</sup> :	\$45.00/RSF
Estimated Total Annual Cost <sup>3</sup> :	\$22,635,000

<sup>1</sup> DHS security requirements may necessitate control of parking at the leased location. This control may be accomplished as a lessor furnished service, an operating agreement with the lessor, or as part of the Government's leasehold interest in the building(s). Any parking included in the Government's leasehold interest may result in a total proposed annual cost in excess of the amounts indicated above.

<sup>2</sup> This estimate is for fiscal year 2018 and may be escalated by 2.1 percent annually to the effective date of the lease to account for inflation. The proposed rental rate is fully serviced including all operating expenses whether paid by the lessor or directly by the Government. GSA will conduct the procurement using prevailing market rental rates as a benchmark for negotiating this lease to ensure that lease award is made in the best interest of the Government.

<sup>3</sup> Any new lease may contain escalation clauses to provide for annual changes in real estate taxes and operating costs.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY  
IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT  
WASHINGTON, DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-04-WA17

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Current Total Annual Cost: \$20,578,200 (1/17/2008)

**Justification**

The current leases at 500 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Washington, DC, expire January 16, 2018, and prior to ICE's move to the St. Elizabeths campus under the Enhanced Plan for the DHS headquarters consolidation. GSA currently pays approximately \$20.6 million in annual rent for the leases that are proposed to be housed in this extension, a cost to the Government and taxpayer that will no longer be incurred once the Enhanced Plan is fully executed. Therefore, authorization is needed to extend the lease for a short term to align with the move to St. Elizabeths. ICE will attain a reduced footprint upon the move to St. Elizabeths. Retrofit of the existing ICE space to achieve a reduction in square footage is not cost beneficial under this short-term extension.

**Resolutions of Approval**

Resolutions adopted by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works approving this prospectus will constitute approval to make appropriations to lease space in a facility that will yield the required rentable area.

**Interim Leasing**

GSA will execute such interim leasing actions as are necessary to ensure continued housing of the tenant agency prior to the effective date of the lease. It is in the best interest of the Government to avert the financial risk of holdover tenancy.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
 DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY  
 IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT  
 WASHINGTON, DC**

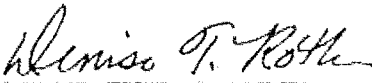
Prospectus Number: PDC-04-WA17

**Certification of Need**

The proposed project is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.

Submitted at Washington, DC, on August 19, 2016

Recommended:   
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 Commissioner, Public Buildings Service

Approved:   
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 Administrator, General Services Administration

October 2015

**Housing Plan  
Department of Homeland Security  
Immigration and Customs Enforcement**

PDC-04-WA17  
Washington, DC

Leased Locations	CURRENT						ESTIMATED/PROPOSED					
	Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF) <sup>1</sup>				Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF)			
	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total
500 12th St SW - Potomac Center North	1,923	1,923	342,649	16,861	99,089	458,599						
Estimated/Proposed Lease							1,923	1,923	342,649	16,861	99,089	458,599
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,923</b>	<b>1,923</b>	<b>342,649</b>	<b>16,861</b>	<b>99,089</b>	<b>458,599</b>	<b>1,923</b>	<b>1,923</b>	<b>342,649</b>	<b>16,861</b>	<b>99,089</b>	<b>458,599</b>

Office Utilization Rate (UR) <sup>2</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	139	139

UR=average amount of office space per person  
 Current UR excludes 75,383 usf of office support space  
 Proposed UR excludes 75,383 usf of office support space

Overall UR <sup>3</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	238	238

R/U Factor <sup>4</sup>			
	Total USF	RSF/USF	Max RSF
Current	458,599	1.10	502,997
Estimated/Proposed	458,599	1.10	502,997

NOTES:

<sup>1</sup>USF means the portion of the building available for use by a tenant's personnel and furnishings and space available jointly to the occupants of the building.

<sup>2</sup>Calculation excludes Judiciary, Congress and agencies with less than 10 people

<sup>3</sup>USF/Person = housing plan total USF divided by total personnel.

<sup>4</sup>R/U Factor = Max RSF divided by total USF

Special Space	USF
IT Infrastructure/Local Servers	8,513
Receiving and Storage	8,871
Food Service	9,312
Media and Training Center	9,677
Fitness Room/Lockers/Showers	4,380
Copy/Printing Services	1,200
Mail Services	1,563
Security	5,797
Credit Union	697
Nurse's Clinic	2,309
Access to multiple special spaces	2,420
Vault	875
Secure Cold Storage	325
Interview Rooms	1,483
SCIF incl. Operations Center	8,800
HSDN (Open)	30,990
Tactical Equipment Storage	77
Secure File Rooms	1,800
<b>Total</b>	<b>99,089</b>

## COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

LEASE—AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL  
DEVELOPMENT, WASHINGTON, DC

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives, that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized for a lease of up to 355,000 rentable square feet of space, including 15 official parking spaces, for the Agency for International Development currently located at 400 C Street SW in Washington, D.C., 2100 Crystal Drive and 2733 Crystal Drive in Arlington, Virginia at a proposed total annual cost of \$17,750,000 for a lease term of up to 20 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.*

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all

tenants, if necessary, prior to the execution of the new lease.

*Provided that*, the Administrator of General Services and tenant agencies agree to apply an overall utilization rate of 153 square feet or less per person, except that, if the Administrator determines that the overall utilization rate cannot be achieved, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided that*, except for interim leases as described above, the Administrator may not enter into any leases that are below prospectus level for the purposes of meeting any of the requirements, or portions thereof, included in the prospectus that would result in an overall utilization rate of 153 square feet or higher per person.

*Provided that*, to the maximum extent practicable, the Administrator shall include in the lease contract(s) a purchase option.

*Provided further*, that the Administrator shall require that the delineated area of the procurement is identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, except that, if the Administrator determines that the delineated area of the procurement should not be identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided further*, that the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT  
WASHINGTON DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-12-WA17

**Executive Summary**

The General Services Administration (GSA) proposes a lease of approximately 355,000 rentable square feet (RSF) for the Agency for International Development (USAID). The lease will consolidate staff who are currently located at 400 C Street SW, Washington, DC; 2100 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA; and 2733 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA.

The lease will provide continued housing for USAID, and improve USAID office and overall utilization rates from 85 to 77 usable square feet (USF) per person and 158 to 153 USF per person, respectively.

**Description**

Occupant:	Agency for International Development
Current Rentable Square Feet:	355,617 (Current RSF/USF = 1.13)
Estimated Maximum RSF <sup>1</sup> :	355,000 (Proposed RSF/USF = 1.20)
Expansion/Reduction RSF:	617 (Reduction)
Current Usable Square Feet/Person:	158
Proposed Usable Square Feet/Person:	153
Proposed Maximum Leasing Authority:	20 years
Expiration Dates of Current Lease(s):	01/02/2018, 03/22/2017, 11/07/2020
Delineated Area:	Washington, DC, Central Employment Area
Number of Official Parking Spaces:	15
Scoring:	Operating Lease
Estimated Rental Rate <sup>2</sup> :	\$50.00 / RSF
Estimated Total Annual Cost <sup>3</sup> :	\$17,750,000
Current Total Annual Cost:	\$14,597,288 (leases effective 01/03/2013, 03/23/2007, 11/08/2010)

<sup>1</sup> The RSF/USF at the current locations is approximately 1.13; however, to maximize competition, a RSF/USF ratio of 1.2 is used for the proposed maximum RSF as indicated in the housing plan.

<sup>2</sup> This estimate is for fiscal year 2017 and may be escalated by 2.0 percent annually to the effective date of the lease to account for inflation. The proposed rental rate is fully serviced including all operating expenses whether paid by the lessor or directly by the Government. GSA will conduct the procurement using prevailing market rental rates as a benchmark for the evaluation of competitive offers and as the basis for negotiating with offerors to ensure that lease award is made in the best interest of the Government.

<sup>3</sup> New leases may contain an escalation clause to provide for annual changes in real estate taxes and operating costs.



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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT  
WASHINGTON DC**

Prospectus Number: PDC-12-WA17

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**Justification**

On December 21, 2010, GSA submitted to Congress prospectus PDC-12-WA11 for the Department of State and USAID located at 400 C Street, SW, Washington, DC. Resolutions of approval were adopted by the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works, and the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure on July 13, 2011, and March 9, 2012, respectively. USAID is now consolidating staff at three locations, including the staff at 400 C Street, SW. The existing leases expire on January 2, 2018, March 22, 2017, and November 7, 2020. USAID requires continued housing for 1,930 personnel currently working in these locations to carry out its mission.

**Summary of Energy Compliance**

GSA will incorporate energy efficiency requirements into the Request for Lease Proposals and other documents related to the procurement of space based on the approved prospectus. GSA encourages offerors to exceed minimum requirements set forth in the procurement and to achieve an Energy Star performance rating of 75 or higher.

**Resolutions of Approval**

Resolutions adopted by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works approving this prospectus will constitute approval to make appropriations to lease space in a facility that will yield the required rentable area.

**Interim Leasing**

GSA will execute such interim leasing actions as are necessary to ensure continued housing of the tenant agency prior to the effective date of the new lease. It is in the best interest of the Government to avert the financial risk of holdover tenancy.

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**PROSPECTUS – LEASE  
AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT  
WASHINGTON DC**


Prospectus Number: PDC-12-WA17

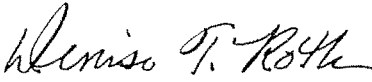
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Submitted at Washington, DC, on August 19, 2016

Recommended:   
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Commissioner, Public Buildings Service

Approved:   
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Administrator, General Services Administration

May 2016

**Housing Plan  
Agency for International Development**

PDC-12-WA17  
Washington, DC

Locations	CURRENT						ESTIMATED/PROPOSED					
	Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF) <sup>1</sup>				Personnel		Usable Square Feet (USF)			
	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total	Office	Total	Office	Storage	Special	Total
400 C St SW, Washington, DC	802	802	124,547	8,555	37,990	171,092						
2100 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA	661	661	51,048	3,729	19,807	74,584						
2733 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA	536	536	41,272	3,531	25,825	70,628						
Estimated/Proposed Lease							1,930	1,930	191,057	14,146	89,914	295,117
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,999</b>	<b>1,999</b>	<b>216,867</b>	<b>15,815</b>	<b>83,622</b>	<b>316,304</b>	<b>1,930</b>	<b>1,930</b>	<b>191,057</b>	<b>14,146</b>	<b>89,914</b>	<b>295,117</b>

Office Utilization Rate (UR) <sup>2</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	85	77

UR = average amount of office space per person  
 Current UR excludes 47,711 usf of office support space  
 Proposed UR excludes 42,033 usf of office support space

Overall UR <sup>3</sup>		
	Current	Proposed
Rate	158	133

R/U Factor <sup>4</sup>	Total USF	RSF/USF	Max. RSF
Current	316,304	1.13	355,617
Estimated/Proposed	295,117	1.20	355,000

**NOTES:**

- <sup>1</sup> USF means the portion of the building available for use by a tenant's personnel and furnishings and space available jointly to the occupants of the building.
- <sup>2</sup> Calculation excludes Judiciary, Congress, and agencies with less than 10 people
- <sup>3</sup> USF/Person = housing plan total USF divided by total personnel.
- <sup>4</sup> R/U Factor = Max RSF divided by total USF

Special Space	USF
Quiet Room	1,091
Conference/Collaborative	68,128
Copy Center	1,364
Food Service	1,636
LAN	7,677
File Room	2,727
Business Centers	2,928
Mail Room	727
Loading Dock	3,636
<b>Total</b>	<b>89,914</b>

There was no objection.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE  
CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, September 15, 2016.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,  
The Speaker, House of Representatives,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on September 15, 2016 at 2:21 p.m.:

Appointment:  
Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor Review Board.

With best wishes, I am,  
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE  
CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, September 19, 2016.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,  
The Speaker, House of Representatives,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on September 19, 2016 at 10:06 a.m.:

That the Senate passed with an amendment H.R. 2494.

That the Senate passed S. 2754.  
That the Senate passed S. 2848.

With best wishes, I am,  
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

BILL PRESENTED TO THE  
PRESIDENT

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported that on September 14, 2016, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bill:

H.R. 3969. To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs community-based outpatient clinic in Laughlin, Nevada, as the "Master Chief Petty Officer Jesse Dean VA Clinic"

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until noon tomorrow for morning-hour debate.

There was no objection.

Thereupon (at 2 o'clock and 5 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, September 20, 2016, at noon for morning-hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS,  
ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

6881. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Rights in Technical Data (DFARS Case 2016-D008) [Docket: DARS-2016-0010] (RIN: 0750-AI91) received September 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6882. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Prohibition on Use of any Cost-Plus System of Contracting for Military Construction and Military Family Housing Projects (DFARS Case 2015-D040) [Docket: DARS-2016-0006] (RIN: 0750-AI87) received September 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6883. A letter from the Alternate OSD FRLO, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's interim final rule — Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR) Program Procedures [DOD-2008-OS-0100; 0790-AI36] received September 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6884. A letter from the Program Analyst, Office of Managing Director, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Assessment and Collection of Regulatory Fees for Fiscal Year 2016 [MD Docket No.: 16-166] received September 12, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6885. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final NUREG — Final revision to Chapter 7 "Instrumentation and Controls", of NUREG-0800, "Standard Review Plan (SRP) for the Review of Safety Analysis Reports for Nuclear Power Plants: LWR Edition." received September 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6886. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final NUREG — Section 5.4.2.1 Steam Generator Materials and Design [NUREG-0800] received September 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6887. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a determination that Colombia meets the statutory requirements relating to interdiction of aircraft reasonably suspected to be engaged in illicit drug trafficking, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2291-4(a)(2); Public Law 103-337, Sec. 1012(a)(2); (108 Stat. 2837); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6888. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a semi-annual report detailing telecommunications-related payments made to Cuba pursuant to Department of the Treasury licenses during the period from January 1 through June 30, 2016, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 6004(e)(6); Public

Law 102-484, Sec. 1705(e)(6) (as amended by Public Law 104-114, Sec. 102)(g); (110 Stat. 794); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6889. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a notification that the national emergency declared with respect to persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism, declared in Executive Order 13224 of September 23, 2001, is to continue in effect beyond September 23, 2016, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1622(d); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 202(d); (90 Stat. 1257) (H. Doc. No. 114-165); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

6890. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting a proposed Letter of Offer and Acceptance to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Transmittal No. 16-32, pursuant to Sec. 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6891. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-034, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6892. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-054, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6893. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-010, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6894. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-008, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6895. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-026, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6896. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-061, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6897. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report on politically motivated "boycotts of, divestment from, and sanctions against Israel", pursuant to Sec. 909(d) of the Trade Facilitation and Trade Enforcement Act of 2015; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6898. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Maximum Civil Money Penalty Amounts; Technical Amendment [Docket No.: FDA-2016-N-1745] received September 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6899. A letter from the Secretary, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Premerger Notification; Reporting and Waiting Period Requirements received September 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6900. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland

Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Regulated Navigation Area; Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, Kittery, ME and Portsmouth, NH [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0513] (RIN: 1625-AA11) received September 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6901. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Hackensack River, Jersey City, NJ [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0173] (RIN: 1625-AA09) received September 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6902. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Port Huron Floot-Down, St. Clair River, Port Huron, MI [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0751] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6903. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Great Egg Harbor Bay, Marmora, NJ [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0665] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6904. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Caribbean Fantasy, Vessel on Fire; Punta Salinas, Toa Baja, Puerto Rico [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0832] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6905. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Dredging, Shark River, NJ [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0824] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6906. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Chesapeake Bay, Hampton, VA [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0371] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6907. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Upper Mississippi River, St. Louis, MO [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0689] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6908. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Security Zone; U.S. Navy/U.S. Coast Guard Assets Demonstration in Conjunction with Fleet Week San Diego, San Diego Bay; San Diego, CA [Docket

et No.: USCG-2016-0756] (RIN: 1625-AA87) received September 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6909. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Security Zone; Kailua Bay, Oahu, HI [Docket No.: USCG-2015-1030] (RIN: 1625-AA87) received September 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6910. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce Deutschland Ltd and Co KG Turboprop Engines [Docket No.: FAA-2006-25513; Directorate Identifier 99-NE-61-AD; Amendment 39-18614; AD 2016-17-01] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 12, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6911. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; All Hot Air Balloons [Docket No.: FAA-2016-8989; Directorate Identifier 2016-CE-025-AD; Amendment 39-18641; AD 2016-17-04 R1] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 12, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6912. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Reciprocal Waivers of Claims for Licensed or Permitted Launch and Reentry Activities [Docket No.: FAA-2014-1012; Amdt. No.: 440-4] (RIN: 2120-AK44) received September 12, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6913. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — MU-2B Series Airplane Training Requirements Update [Docket No.: FAA-2006-24981; Amdt. Nos.: 61-138, 91-344, and 135-134] (RIN: 2120-AK63) received September 12, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6914. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No.: 31091; Amdt. No.: 3709] received September 12, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6915. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No.: 31092; Amdt. No.: 3710] received September 12, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6916. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Depart-

ment's final rule — Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No.: 31090; Amdt. No.: 3708] received September 12, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6917. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Dassault Aviation Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2016-8843; Directorate Identifier 2016-NM-113-AD; Amendment 39-18615; AD 2016-17-02] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 12, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

*[The following actions occurred on September 16, 2016]*

Mr. BRADY of Texas: Committee on Ways and Means. H.R. 5719. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the tax treatment of certain equity grants; with an amendment (Rept. 114-748). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BRADY of Texas: Committee on Ways and Means. H.R. 3957. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to temporarily allow expensing of certain costs of replanting citrus plants lost by reason of casualty; with an amendment (Rept. 114-749). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

*[Submitted September 19, 2016]*

Mr. BRADY of Texas: Committee on Ways and Means. H.R. 2285. A bill to improve enforcement against trafficking in cultural property and prevent stolen or illicit cultural property from financing terrorist and criminal networks, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 114-380, Pt. 2). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 4564. A bill to redesignate the small triangular property located in Washington, DC, and designated by the National Park Service as reservation 302 as "Robert Emmet Park", and for other purposes (Rept. 114-750). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. BRADY of Texas: Committee on Ways and Means. H.R. 5659. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to expanding Medicare Advantage coverage for individuals with end-stage renal disease (ESRD); with an amendment (Rept. 114-751, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. HENSARLING: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 1309. A bill to amend the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act to specify when bank holding companies may be subject to certain enhanced supervision, and for other purposes (Rept. 114-752). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 5977. A bill to direct the Secretary of Transportation to provide to the appropriate committees of Congress advance notice of certain announcements, and for other purposes (Rept.

114-753). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. MCCAUL: Committee on Homeland Security. H.R. 5859. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the major metropolitan area counterterrorism training and exercise grant program, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 114-754). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. MCCAUL: Committee on Homeland Security. H.R. 5346. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to make the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security for Health Affairs responsible for coordinating the efforts of the Department of Homeland Security related to food, agriculture, and veterinary defense against terrorism, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 114-755, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. MCCAUL: Committee on Homeland Security. H.R. 5459. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to enhance preparedness and response capabilities for cyber attacks, bolster the dissemination of homeland security information related to cyber threats, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 114-756). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. CHAFFETZ: Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. H.R. 2319. A bill to amend title 44, United States Code, to require preservation of certain electronic records by Federal agencies, to require a certification and reports relating to Presidential records, and for other purposes (Rept. 114-757). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. CHAFFETZ: Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. H.R. 5690. A bill to ensure the Government Accountability Office has adequate access to information (Rept. 114-758). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. CHAFFETZ: Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. H.R. 5709. A bill to improve Federal employee compliance with Federal and Presidential recordkeeping requirements, and for other purposes (Rept. 114-759). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. CHAFFETZ: Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. H.R. 5687. A bill to eliminate or modify certain mandates of the Government Accountability Office (Rept. 114-760, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

#### DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committee on the Judiciary discharged from further consideration. H.R. 2285 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Agriculture discharged from further consideration. H.R. 5346 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committee on Energy and Commerce discharged from further consideration. H.R. 5659 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, Financial Services, Energy and Commerce, Ways and Means, and Homeland Security discharged from further consideration. H.R. 5687

referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

#### PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. ABRAHAM (for himself and Mr. SMITH of Texas):

H.R. 6066. A bill to enforce Federal cybersecurity responsibility and accountability; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mrs. BLACK (for herself and Ms. MCSALLY):

H.R. 6067. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an exemption from the individual mandate for certain individuals without access to Exchange coverage; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

#### CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. ABRAHAM:

H.R. 6066.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3:

The Congress shall have power to regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with Indian tribes.

and

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18:

The Congress shall have power to make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department of Officer thereof.

By Mrs. BLACK:

H.R. 6067.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1:

The Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts and excises, to pay the debts and provide for the common defense and general welfare of the United States; but all duties, imposts and excises shall be uniform throughout the United States;

#### ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:

H.R. 213: Miss RICE of New York.

H.R. 347: Mr. HILL.

H.R. 605: Mr. MCKINLEY.

H.R. 932: Mr. MCNERNEY.

H.R. 969: Mr. ISSA.

H.R. 1061: Mr. DEUTCH and Ms. LINDA T. SANCHEZ of California.

H.R. 1427: Mr. CASTRO of Texas, Ms. SPEIER, and Mr. PASCRELL.

H.R. 1441: Mr. POCAN.

H.R. 1457: Mr. COOPER.

H.R. 1706: Mr. TONKO.

H.R. 1865: Mr. SCHIFF.

H.R. 2076: Mr. AGUILAR.

H.R. 2277: Mr. COOPER.

H.R. 2315: Mr. SHERMAN and Mr. ROUZER.

H.R. 2368: Ms. KUSTER.

H.R. 2660: Mr. LANGEVIN and Mr. LEVIN.

H.R. 2680: Mr. AGUILAR.

H.R. 2715: Mr. LANGEVIN.

H.R. 2737: Mr. DONOVAN, Mr. NORCROSS, Mr. WELCH, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. CULBERSON, Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana, Mr. CURBELO of Florida, Mr. MULVANEY, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. COLLINS of Georgia, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Ms. JENKINS of Kansas, Mr. BEYER, Mr. LOEBSACK, Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. COURTNEY, Ms. ESTY, Mrs. BUSTOS, Mr. SCHRADER, Mr. YODER, Mrs. NOEM, Mr. RUSSELL, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. ASHFORD, Mr. POLIS, Mr. HUDSON, Mr. MURPHY of Pennsylvania, and Mr. NOLAN.

H.R. 2799: Mr. RICE of South Carolina and Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico.

H.R. 2962: Mr. CUMMINGS.

H.R. 2972: Mr. MCNERNEY.

H.R. 3119: Mr. ELLISON and Mr. MARINO.

H.R. 3297: Mr. PALAZZO.

H.R. 3397: Mr. SMITH of Missouri.

H.R. 3512: Mr. YARMUTH and Ms. DUCKWORTH.

H.R. 3779: Mrs. BUSTOS.

H.R. 3991: Mr. BEN RAY LUJAN of New Mexico.

H.R. 4365: Miss RICE of New York.

H.R. 4514: Mr. JORDAN and Mr. GUTHRIE.

H.R. 4784: Mr. MOULTON and Mr. COOPER.

H.R. 4927: Ms. MCCOLLUM and Mr. GARAMENDI.

H.R. 5015: Mr. FLORES, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. POSEY, and Mr. CHABOT.

H.R. 5083: Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. NORCROSS, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, and Mr. FOSTER.

H.R. 5127: Mr. STEWART.

H.R. 5143: Mr. HARRIS.

H.R. 5177: Mr. PALAZZO.

H.R. 5232: Ms. PINGREE, Ms. NORTON, and Mr. DEUTCH.

H.R. 5262: Mr. FRANKS of Arizona.

H.R. 5560: Mr. QUIGLEY.

H.R. 5632: Mr. ISSA.

H.R. 5732: Mr. BILIRAKIS and Mr. LIPINSKI.

H.R. 5801: Mr. CALVERT.

H.R. 5883: Mr. JONES, Mr. GOODLATTE, and Mr. PALAZZO.

H.R. 5904: Mr. GOSAR.

H.R. 5931: Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. MURPHY of Pennsylvania, and Mr. GOSAR.

H.R. 5940: Mr. BRIDENSTINE.

H.R. 5946: Mr. YOUNG of Alaska.

H.R. 5951: Mr. PETERSON, Mr. MASSIE, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Mr. LOEBSACK, and Mr. FLEISCHMANN.

H.R. 5965: Ms. MCCOLLUM and Ms. JUDY CHU of California.

H.R. 5980: Mr. CASTRO of Texas, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. HASTINGS, Ms. LEE, Mr. BEYER, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico, Mr. MACARTHUR, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. MASSIE, Mr. STIVERS, Mr. PETERSON, Ms. MOORE, Ms. STEFANIK, Mr. SWALWELL of California, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. HANNA, and Ms. ADAMS.

H. Con. Res. 140: Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER, Mr. CHAFFETZ, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. WALKER, and Mr. BURGESS.

H. Con. Res. 155: Ms. STEFANIK, Ms. PLASKETT, Mr. GUTHRIE, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. VIS-CLOSKY, Mr. YARMUTH, and Mr. MCGOVERN.

H. Res. 848: Mr. JOYCE and Mr. WILSON of South Carolina.



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The Senate met at 3 p.m. and was called to order by the President pro tempore (Mr. HATCH).

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Barry C. Black, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

Eternal God, help us to so live that the generations to come will know about Your mighty acts. Today give our lawmakers the singularity of heart to seek, find, and follow Your will so that their legacy will be exemplary.

Lord, guide them in the path You have created, inspiring them with the potency of Your powerful presence. May they trust You in times of adversity and prosperity, knowing that they will reap a productive harvest if they persevere. Keep them from underestimating the power of Your great Name as You make them instruments of Your peace.

Help us to not pray primarily in our distress and need but rather also in joy's fullness and in our gratitude for abundant living.

Lord, we ask for Your healing for the victims of the New York City and New Jersey explosions and the Minnesota stabbing attacks.

We pray in Your merciful Name. Amen.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The President pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. COATS). The majority leader is recognized.

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### MEASURE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR—S. 3348

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I understand that there is a bill at the desk due for a second reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the bill by title for the second time.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 3348) to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to require candidates of major parties for the office of President to disclose recent tax return information.

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, in order to place the bill on the calendar under the provisions of rule XIV, I object to further proceedings.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection having been heard, the bill will be placed on the calendar.

### ATTACKS IN NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY, AND MINNESOTA

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, over the weekend, several incidents that appear to be acts of terrorism left dozens injured and many across the country shaken. While we are thankful that no loss of life has been reported, we also know that the injured will face a difficult road to recovery and healing. Our prayers are with each of them and all of those affected in this trying time.

Authorities acted expeditiously to uncover the facts, and just hours ago they captured a suspect in connection to the New York and New Jersey bombings. We thank them for their swift ac-

tions and continued efforts to keep Americans safe. Although an arrest has now been made, there is still much we do not know about these incidents, including whether there was involvement of a terrorist organization overseas. Investigators are continuing their work even as we speak, and we are monitoring that situation closely as it unfolds.

No matter the motive behind these incidents, it is clear that we must do everything we can to bolster security measures and counter the threats facing our homeland. These acts are very real reminders of the national security threats and challenges that we face both from beyond our borders and from within. Ensuring the safety of all Americans remains our top priority, so we will continue to do our part in working with our intelligence community, military leaders, and our law enforcement personnel in their efforts to protect the American people.

### CONTINUING RESOLUTION

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, Members have been working toward an agreement on a continuing resolution that will fund the government and provide critical resources to support veterans and combat Zika. Senate Republicans stand ready to move forward with this important measure now.

I encourage our colleagues across the aisle to work with us to complete the negotiations so we can advance this important measure.

### HONORING OUR ARMED FORCES

CAPTAIN MATTHEW D. ROLAND

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, today I rise in honor of Kentucky's bravest young men, one of whom, Capt. Matthew D. Roland, of Lexington, KY, gave his life in service to our country on August 26, 2015.

Captain Roland was a proud airman and member of the 23rd Special Tactics

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Squadron in Hurlburt Field, FL. He was 27 years old.

Captain Roland was killed in combat at Camp Antonik in Helmand Province, Afghanistan. He was driving the lead vehicle in a convoy when that convoy was attacked by enemy combatants dressed as friendly Afghan forces.

It was a complex attack. The first warning that something was wrong came when an enemy combatant approached Captain Roland's vehicle. When he was within 5 feet of the vehicle, he began to raise his weapon. Without hesitation, Captain Roland's first thoughts were for the safety of his fellow servicemembers. He yelled "Insider attack" while radioing a warning to all vehicles in the convoy. Simultaneously, he drove in reverse, away from the gunmen, to protect his passengers.

Tragically, a split second later, the lead gunman who had approached the vehicle, shot Captain Roland, instantly killing him, but the message he had conveyed over the radio gave the other personnel in his convoy the opportunity to take cover and ready their weapons. Because of his warning, American casualties were fewer and the enemy combatants were neutralized, including the one who killed Captain Roland.

For his actions, Captain Roland was posthumously awarded the Silver Star for Valor. The citation accompanying the award read:

Captain Roland's actions are in keeping with the finest traditions of military heroism and reflect distinct credit upon himself, the NATO Special Operations Component Command . . . and the United States Air Force.

Over the course of his military career, Captain Roland received several other awards, medals, and declarations, including the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Force Achievement Medal, Air Force Organizational Excellence Award, National Defense Service Medal, and NATO Medal.

Captain Roland was born at Ellsworth Air Force Base in Rapid City, SD. His father, retired U.S. Air Force Col. Mark Roland, moved frequently for assignments, and Matthew grew up in Abilene, TX, and Albuquerque, NM, before the family settled in Lexington, KY, where Matthew attended Lexington Catholic High School.

In high school, it was clear to many that Matthew was a driven young man who knew what he wanted out of life. Tim Wiesenhahn, his cross-country coach at Lexington Catholic, remembered that. Tim said:

He really wanted to be successful. I like to say he was driven to succeed. You just kind of knew he was going to be a leader. . . . The best runners really work at it, and Matt really wanted to be successful, and he put in the work.

A friend of Matthew's from high school, Clint Roberts, saw the same determination in the future airman. He said:

I don't remember a time when Matt didn't know what he wanted to do with his life.

From the time we met at cross-country practice in high school until the last time I talked to him, Matt always seemed like he controlled his life and path in a way that everyone strives to.

Matthew attained the Eagle Scout rank in Boy Scouting and graduated from Lexington Catholic in 2006. He entered the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, CO, where he graduated in 2010 with a bachelor of science degree in aeronautical engineering. Matthew then completed the rigorous special tactics program in 2012 to become a special tactics officer. As an STO, he was a team leader who supervised combat preparedness training for a 35-member team. He was a military static line and free-fall parachutist, Air Force combat scuba diver, and a joint terminal attack controller. He led reconnaissance, strike, and recovery missions. He was deployed three times over his 5 years of service in the Air Force, twice to Afghanistan and once to Africa, and wherever he served, he gained a reputation as a rock during stressful times, always cool under pressure yet always easy to befriend.

Capt. Ben Self, a fellow special tactics officer, said:

The attribute that stood out to me most was his unflinching stoic presence when we needed it most. I relied on Matt when times were toughest, and I will continue to do so as his memory lives on through all of us.

"Matt was anything but typical," says Col. Paul Brister, his commander. "On the battlefield, he was a lion—lethal, precise, humble and compassionate. He was always flawless. I'm convinced I learned more from him than he could ever learn from me."

Another airman said of Matthew: "He was unquestionably our leader . . . not just by the [regulations] or rank, but through his ability to command our respect and trust as men."

A letter written to Matthew's parents after his death revealed what Matthew did when off duty. "Besides Matt's great qualities as a teammate, air commando and USAF officer, Matt has two memorable habits," wrote LTC John Sannes and CSM Dwight Utley.

The letter continued:

He loved to walk around in his American flag shorts, and he loved his mom's chocolate chip cookies. As a testimony to Matt's generous heart, he burned his legs helping a contractor weld a gate while wearing his flag shorts, and he always shared his cookies with the guys on his team.

Matthew's loved ones are foremost in our thoughts as I share his story with my Senate colleagues and the entire Nation today. They include his parents, Colonel Mark and Barbara Roland; his sister, Erica Roland; his niece, Willamina Roland; his grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. Earl Roland; his grandmother, Rita Thomas; and many other beloved family members and friends.

Matthew's final resting place is Arlington National Cemetery, not far from where we stand. He was buried with full military honors.

One of Matthew's fellow airmen said this about hearing of his death:

[Matthew] brought America to the tent flaps and mud walls of our enemies on two continents. . . . He did not compromise on what he believed, and the nation is lucky he spent his time and energy protecting her.

I couldn't agree more. I am sure my colleagues agree that America is indeed lucky to have had Capt. Matthew D. Roland fighting for our freedoms. I would like his family to know that the Members of the Senate honor his service and his sacrifice and will be forever grateful.

#### RECOGNITION OF THE MINORITY LEADER

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The minority leader is recognized.

#### CONTINUING RESOLUTION

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I have been asked a number of times walking into my office this morning if there has been an agreement on the Zika funding and the continuing resolution, which is to keep our government open and funded. No, we have not is the answer. We have made progress. I am encouraged by the headway we have made. But as I said before, as Democrats, we are going to be cautious. There is still work to be done before we can say there has been an agreement made.

#### TERROR ATTACKS IN NEW JERSEY, NEW YORK, AND MINNESOTA

Mr. REID. Mr. President, many Americans are taking the news about this weekend's terror attacks in New Jersey, New York, and even Minnesota very seriously. As a country, we are always stunned when these violent acts occur, and we are absolutely sickened by the acts of violence of this terrorist activity. We grieve with the victims, their families, and their loved ones.

I had a long, thorough briefing today by the FBI. I appreciate their good work always. They have a difficult job doing everything they can to make sure we are safe.

I am aware of the many people injured in these cowardly attacks, including police officers. I wish them all a full and complete recovery. Despite the many injured, we are very grateful that no one was killed in these attacks. It is a credit to both law enforcement and America's terrific, good, brave first responders.

Earlier today, the suspect wanted in connection with these cowardly attacks was shot and apprehended by police officers, but, of course, not before he wounded two of these police officers. These officers' quick response most likely kept Americans safe.

These events remind us of these brave men and women who risk their lives every day to protect the American people. First responders in New York, New Jersey, and Minnesota rushed into danger this weekend to protect innocent people. They certainly saved lives. Now we must do everything we can to ensure justice is



served and law enforcement gets the support needed to conduct their investigation.

It is not enough to simply offer help after these heinous attacks take place. Congress must do more to prevent these acts of terrorism altogether. There are things we can do, and some of them are really easy. Right now, as we speak, there is a loophole in our law that allows potential FBI terror suspects to legally purchase guns and explosives. Stop and think about that for just a moment. A person with suspected ties to terrorism can walk into a store now and buy all of the explosives, all the guns, and all the ammunition they want.

In Nevada, a man who has been so charitable has set up a camp for children every summer. It costs him lots of money. It is in a beautiful part of the mountain area right outside of Las Vegas. We have, within 10 minutes of Las Vegas, a 12,000-foot mountain. At the foot of those mountains, he has a beautiful camp.

Here is what they are doing now. You can go to a gun store in Las Vegas, and you can buy explosives. They put them up in the trees. We don't have that many trees in Nevada. They will put explosives up in a tree, and they shoot at it, and it blows up. It blows up the tree and anything around it. That is for sport.

Anyone can walk into a gun store and buy explosives. It doesn't matter who it is. You can also be a terrorist and do the same thing. Again, I ask everyone to think about that. A person with suspected ties to terrorism can walk into a store now and buy all of the explosives they want. They can buy all the guns they want.

The so-called terror gap is outrageous and terribly reckless. How can something like this go unaddressed in modern-day America?

Democrats have tried repeatedly for the past year to close that loophole, but we have been prevented from doing that by the Republicans. We can argue from now on about whether this bill could have prevented this weekend's attacks, but one thing is for sure: It could prevent the next attack.

But we know this loophole shouldn't exist. We know terror suspects shouldn't be given a free pass to buy all the guns and all the explosives they want, and we know the American people want this loophole closed. Eighty-five percent of the people in Indiana, in Nevada, in Kentucky—85 percent of the people in America—support legislation keeping explosives and guns out of the hands of suspected terrorists. If you can't fly, why should you be able to buy a gun? If you can't fly, why should you be able to buy explosives? The only reason the FBI terror suspects are allowed to buy guns and explosives is simply because of Republican opposition. That is the reason.

This state of affairs defies belief. It is hard to believe that in America today an FBI terror suspect who cannot fly

on an airplane can walk into a gun store in Las Vegas, New York City, or anyplace and legally purchase explosives and assault weapons. But it is true because Republicans refuse to close the terror gap loophole.

In the aftermath of these attacks, our constituents are looking for us to help. They want to feel safe. They want to be safe. We can help provide that safety by closing the terror loophole, but Democrats can't do it alone. We need help from the Republicans.

Mr. President, I see no one seeking recognition, so I ask the Chair to announce the business of the day.

#### RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the leadership time is reserved.

#### LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2017—MOTION TO PROCEED

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will resume consideration of the motion to proceed to H.R. 5325, which the clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

Motion to proceed to Calendar No. 516, H.R. 5325, a bill making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, and for other purposes.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. NELSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### ZIKA VIRUS FUNDING

Mr. NELSON. Mr. President, we have a bit of good news because earlier today the CDC, or the Centers for Disease Control, announced that it had lifted its travel advisory to not go into a section north of downtown Miami called Wynwood. It is the neighborhood where the first locally transmitted Zika virus was found. So the fact that they said today that this area is no longer considered an area of active transmission is certainly good news, not only for those who live there but for those businesses that are dependent on those who are planning to visit there. That is just one area of Florida.

There are now 835 active cases of Zika-infected people in the State of Florida. If you compare that to the number for the total United States, talking about infections, in 49 of the 50 States, it is 3,132. If you add our brothers and sisters in Puerto Rico and the territories, fellow American citizens, 17,315 are infected with the Zika virus. In Florida, 86 pregnant women are infected with the Zika virus. The total in the Nation is 731. In Puerto Rico—pri-

marily there, although bringing in all the territories, it is 1,156. Combining Puerto Rico, the territories, and the United States, we are talking about close to 2,000 pregnant women infected with the Zika virus.

We know that the CDC has said that there is anywhere from a 1-percent to 12-percent chance—if a woman is infected in the first trimester of pregnancy, there is a 1- to 12-percent chance that her baby will be born with defects. If you do the math on the nearly 2,000 pregnant women, we are talking about a substantial number of birth defects, including the possibility of what we have heard about and seen—microcephaly, babies with a deformed brain and shrunken head. In Puerto Rico they already had one live birth of microcephaly and they had one who did not live after birth.

We can expect to see huge numbers coming on down the line. That is all the more reason for us—since we started our request for funding last spring—to get at this by doing a Zika vaccine. It is now ready to go into the FDA first trials. A vaccine is at least 2 years away, but we have to get started, and that costs money.

The administration has been robbing Peter to pay Paul, finding every little pot of money that it can borrow from since last spring in order to try to fund the preventive measures of a vaccine, mosquito control, and all the attendant health expenditures through our health care centers that are sponsored and paid for by the government, and particularly for the very poor. As a matter of fact, the government raided the Ebola fund of \$576 million to advance it to Zika. Well, we need to pay back all of those funds that were raided, and that is incumbent upon us now here at the last minute before we adjourn to go home to campaign before the election. You know, those words are suddenly similar to the words we used in early July, trying to get that done before the summer recess for the political conventions. Yet we did not.

The good news is that it looks as though there is now an agreement on Zika. As a result, we can come up with a funding bill to keep the government open until we can pass a permanent funding bill for this fiscal year starting October 1. We will pass a temporary one until sometime in early December. That will give us a chance to try to do the permanent one. In the meantime, the government has to stay open. We have to fund the functions of government, including national security and the U.S. Department of Defense.

So one would think that this bill would be all done, but, unrelated to Zika, there are other issues that are threatening the funding bill. At the end of the day, we will get it done. Some of the issues are over as arcane a subject as who is going to administer the issuance of domain names on the Internet. There seems to be some controversy over that. As a result, we are here at the last minute, at the last

hour, having to act on a funding bill, and now we have issues that are now all wound around the axle again.

I want to say very positively that I appreciate the progress that is being made on the Zika funding. It is not as if we haven't tried this before. Last May we had a bill that passed in a bipartisan fashion for \$1.1 billion that did not have the attached political riders. It passed in the Senate by 89 votes out of 100 Senators. Then, of course, the bill in the House of Representatives got all wound up with all kinds of political messaging. I want to state very positively that I am very happy that it seems as if those issues have been put aside and there has been an agreement reached. Now let's get through the rest of this on the funding bill and go ahead and execute our responsibilities that we have to the United States of America.

Mr. President, I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Florida.

TRIBUTE TO EMOGENE STEGALL

Mr. NELSON. Mr. President, I want to praise the work of a local elected official in Florida who has admirably served as supervisor of elections in Lake County, FL. This is an elected position in which she has now served for 44 years, and she is going to retire from her position as the chief elections officer after this upcoming election in November. That is an incredible tenure of public service, and Emogene Stegall should be commended for being the longtime supervisor of elections.

"Emogene" is a name that is almost synonymous with "Lake County" because she has been an elected official for nearly half a century. What is so special about her is not only how many years she has held the office but how she embodied the details and the ideals of public service.

Since she was first elected in 1972, a lot has changed about the way elections are conducted, but through all of those decades, the same fundamental principles have guided Emogene Stegall's work: a dedication to treating all voters fairly without any regard for party affiliation and safeguarding taxpayer dollars—no partisan politics, no attention-grabbing headlines, just humble public service.

Before being elected supervisor, Emogene had already worked 14 years as the supervisor's deputy, starting in 1958. At that time there were only about 17,000 registered voters in Lake County and a handful of voting machines. Most of it was done by paper ballot. Her office used typewriters and carbon paper to function, and voting results were announced on the radio.

Fast-forward to today. Emogene has been reelected many times over since winning her first election in 1972, and the number of registered voters in the county has gone from 17,000 to over 200,000. Now the supervisor's office is filled with computers, and computer programs tally the votes on election day before publishing them on the

Internet so the voters receive almost instant results.

Even with all these changes, Emogene is still there, opening her office to constituents of all political stripes and working long hours to make sure election day runs smoothly and that all citizens in Lake County can exercise their constitutional right to vote. Her principled approach to fulfilling her responsibilities explains why she has continued to be reelected to her post time and time again even though she is a registered Democrat in a county that shifted to Republican control long ago.

The changes Emogene has witnessed run deeper than the office equipment and the party politics. When she was first elected, Lake County, along with much of the South of the United States, was still suffering from the scourge of Jim Crowe. African Americans in particular were often denied the right to vote. Even after the civil rights legislation was passed in the 1960s, the country still needed public servants to implement the law without prejudice in order to usher in change and combat racism. Emogene's steadfast commitment to ensuring the people's right to vote helped achieve that transformation and in a way brings our Nation closer to realizing the ideal of equality that we have reached and have tried to reach since our founding.

It is also notable that Emogene Stegall served as the first woman elected official and community leader at a time when women's educational and professional opportunities were much more limited than today.

After so many decades of public service, Emogene will oversee her last election day this November. But her legacy for being a committed and tireless public servant will continue to be remembered. She has used her position to benefit the community she was elected to serve. She never was elected, nor used it, for herself or her own interests.

Emogene Stegall is an example for all of us in public service. So I am honored to share her story and acknowledge her accomplishments on this occasion today on the floor of the Senate as Emogene Stegall will conduct and is preparing for her last election as Supervisor of Elections.

What a great public service. What a great public servant whom we can honor today.

I yield the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. CORNYN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

JUSTICE AGAINST SPONSORS OF TERRORISM ACT

Mr. CORNYN. Mr. President, over the weekend, we were reminded once again of the threat that terrorism poses to our communities all across this coun-

try. I know we are all grateful the explosions that occurred in New Jersey and Manhattan and the knife attack in Minnesota did not hurt more people.

I am thankful for the authorities, the law enforcement officials, the emergency medical officials and others who have responded so heroically. I am grateful there has already been a suspect detained in the New York and New Jersey incident before he could attempt additional attacks.

This is just another reminder, as if we needed more reminders, of the importance of remaining vigilant to the threat of terrorism in the United States. Our values and our way of life seem to be under near constant attack, certainly under constant threat. We have a responsibility to do everything we can within our power to support and protect those affected by the evil of terrorism within our borders.

Last week, the Senate sent a piece of legislation, an important piece of legislation from my perspective, called the Justice Against Sponsors of Terrorism Act to President Obama for his signature. He has until Friday to act on it.

I want to clarify for my colleagues exactly what is contained in this legislation because I have heard from some stories that make me think they are being misled by some but also maybe there is just some confusion I can help clear up. This legislation, the Justice Against Sponsors of Terrorism Act, or sometimes called the 9/11 families bill, makes some narrow amendments to a longstanding Federal statute, the Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act, and the anti-terrorism act. What it does provide is for Americans to be able to seek recourse in a court of law from governments or people who sponsor terrorist attacks on American soil.

You would think that would not be particularly controversial. Put another way, this bill does not allow a lawsuit to proceed against a foreign nation unless they are alleged to have been behind a terror attack on American soil. As I said, this is pretty straightforward, which is why it passed the Senate and the House unanimously.

I want to be clear what the bill does and does not do. First of all, the legislation does not single out any particular country for some kind of unfair treatment. It stands for the simple proposition that Americans should have recourse against those involved in terrorist attacks on our homeland, just as they do against others who commit other wrongs.

I have had some of my colleagues say: Yes, but perception is reality. Well, misperception is not reality. The fact is, there is no country mentioned in the legislation, this extension of existing law. To the extent it singles out anybody, it only singles out countries, without naming any, that fund terrorists who commit terrorism on our soil.

Some have suggested this could hurt our relationship with the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, in particular. This bill has nothing to do, on its face, with our

strong partnership with Saudi Arabia, which is based on mutual interests. The reality is, the nuclear deal struck by President Obama involving the country of Iran has done far more to damage our relationship with our allies in the Middle East, including the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

It has caused many of our allies, not just the Saudis but others in the Middle East, to question whether we are a reliable ally in the areas where we do share a common interest.

We know many of our Gulf State allies, including the Saudis, believe the President has not done enough to achieve his own stated goal of defeating the terrorist army of ISIS, which threatens Saudi Arabia from Iraq, just across its northern border. Quite to the contrary, we know President Obama ignored the advice of his own military advisers and unwisely withdrew all combat forces from Iraq in a precipitous way before that country was ready and able to defend itself, only to see ISIS rush in and fill the vacuum left after the departure of American leadership and ground forces.

The bottom line is that this legislation should not upset our relationships with any country with which we share common interests, including the Saudis. They should not take passage of this legislation as a reason to somehow question our commitment to an alliance based on shared values or shared interests.

This bill targets those who fund terrorist activity against us—plain and simple. I should also add that all this bill does is to give victims an opportunity to have their case heard in court. It doesn't decide the merits of the case. It simply gives them an avenue for justice.

Second, I want to debunk this idea that somehow the Justice Against Sponsors of Terrorism Act will suddenly result in lawsuits being filed against Americans by foreign governments. The reality is this already happens. We have an entire office at the Justice Department—the Office of Foreign Litigation—that defends the United States in foreign courts.

As its Web site explains, that litigation includes “litigation arising from U.S. agency or military activities in foreign countries,” which is one reason why, before we pulled out all of our troops from Iraq, President Obama and his administration should have done a better job pursuing a status of forces agreement with the country of Iraq. But because they did not negotiate that, they decided to pull out, and we have reaped the whirlwind as a result.

While likely a minority, there are cases, in fact, brought abroad that implicate our own overseas activity. For example, in 2010, CBS News reported on a case in Pakistan in which the CIA was sued for an alleged drone strike. This is a matter of public record that CBS News reported. The point is that today foreign governments allow suits against the United States from time to

time, and they are defended based on international law and based on the merits of the case. That is because of their legal systems and domestic politics. Our laws are simply not consulted as a determining factor. Why would a foreign country apply American law or precedent or procedure?

But let me also make clear: The Justice Against Sponsors of Terrorism Act makes only modest changes to current foreign sovereign immunity laws—laws that have already been passed by the U.S. Congress—and it has been written in a narrow manner to prevent such suits should any reciprocal law be passed.

Finally, I remind my colleagues that this legislation was crafted and created through consensus. Before the Senate passed it several months ago, my colleagues and I took great care to address concerns from Members on both sides of the aisle, as you would expect. Working with other Members, we made changes to the legislation they requested so we could keep support for this legislation and support for the families of victims strong. It then unanimously passed the Senate in May.

Over in the House, it passed without dissent. I have to say that it is hard to find any piece of legislation that can pass unanimously in the Senate and in the House of Representatives. It just doesn't happen very often.

But even with so much bipartisan, bicameral support, President Obama still says he intends to veto the legislation. As I have said before, that is his prerogative, but I hope he does so soon so that Congress has the opportunity to vote to override his veto. Once he does veto it, I hope Congress will quickly act.

I have been reminded of a passage in Henry Kissinger's book called “World Order,” where he talks about how the West, in particular, often views the world as an orderly rules-based system. Of course, the problem with that is reality. The world does not all acknowledge a rules-based system, no matter who imagines it. Other countries will take actions based on what they perceive to advance their own interests, not because they just want to follow a certain set of rules that somebody else wrote up. That will remain true for the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia even after the Justice Against Sponsors of Terrorism Act becomes law. That is why our relationship with the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia will continue, because they have been fighting terrorism on their own soil and we know that we share other interests as well.

But at the end of the day, we need to do what is right for the American people, just as other countries would do right for their own citizens. We should not change our domestic laws because of our concerns about other countries perhaps being offended or because they have other interests other than what we are trying to vindicate here, which are the rights of the families who lost loved ones on 9/11 due to a terrorist at-

tack on American soil. They should have the opportunity to make their case if they can, and nothing in this judges the merits of the case or makes any conclusion about whether they will be successful or not. But, certainly, they represent part of the American people who we work for, and they are entitled to get access to the courts for the purpose of making the case if they can.

This bill sends a clear signal to every country that the United States is not afraid to stand and ensure that our countrymen and countrywomen have the ability to pursue justice here in our courts. That is nonnegotiable.

I hope the President will act quickly. The President can string this out into next week if he wants, but he has already said he is going to veto it. So why put the families through any more delay, anguish, and uncertainty? The President should go ahead and veto the legislation. Then the Senate and the House of Representatives should take up a veto override vote. I am confident of what the outcome of that would be, based on the unanimous consent to the bill in the Senate and the unanimous vote in the House of Representatives.

Madam President, I don't see any other Senator interested in speaking.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. ERNST). The clerk will call the roll.

The bill clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. MCCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—H.R. 5985

Mr. MCCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that at 5 p.m. today, the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 5985; further, that there be 30 minutes of debate equally divided in the usual form; that following the use or yielding back of time, the bill be read a third time and the Senate vote on passage of the bill with no intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. MCCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that notwithstanding rule XXII, the cloture motion on the motion to proceed to H.R. 5325 ripen at 2:15 p.m. on Tuesday, September 20.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. MCCONNELL. Madam President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The bill clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. GARDNER. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

RECOGNIZING THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

Mr. GARDNER. Madam President, I rise to recognize the U.S. Air Force on the occasion of its 69th birthday.

On September 18, 1947, President Truman signed the National Security Act, which established the U.S. Air Force as an independent service equal to the U.S. Army and U.S. Navy. The mission of the U.S. Air Force is to fly, fight, and win in airspace and cyberspace, and Colorado is proud to call itself home to units that play a vital role in executing all aspects of the Air Force mission.

Although it is the youngest of the armed services, the Air Force has accomplished a tremendous amount—a tremendous amount—in those 69 years. With a combined force strength of more than 660,000 Active, Reserve, National Guard, and civilian personnel within the U.S. Air Force, it is a force to be reckoned with. The U.S. Air Force's ability to maintain air superiority is evidenced by the fact that the last time an American ground troop was killed by ordnance delivered from an enemy aircraft was in 1953.

On any given day, there are more than 21,000 Air Force personnel deployed to 179 worldwide locations, 16,000 airmen deployed to the CENTCOM area of operations, and more than 1,000 airmen working directly with partner nations. While American airmen serve all over the world, there are thousands of airmen in my State of Colorado protecting our Nation's interests.

Colorado is home to five major Air Force installations that include Buckley Air Force Base, Schriever Air Force Base, Peterson Air Force Base, Cheyenne Mountain Air Force Station, and the United States Air Force Academy.

Buckley Air Force Base is home to the 460th Space Wing and has air operations, space-based missile warning capabilities, space surveillance operations, space communications operations, and support functions. If North Korea, Iran, or any adversary fires a missile at the U.S. homeland, Buckley would be the first to see it. Buckley is also one of 18 bases nationwide being considered by the Air Force to host the next-generation F-35 jet, and it is my firm belief it fully merits that designation as well.

Peterson Air Force Base, named after 1st Lt. Edward J. Peterson, a Colorado native, has been in operation since 1926. Over its 90-plus years, Peterson Air Force Base has served a variety of operational and training missions and is currently home to the 21st Space Wing and Air Force Space Command as well. Peterson is also home to the U.S. Northern Command—NORTHCOM—and the North American Aerospace Defense Command, or NORAD. NORAD-NORTHCOM is responsible for protecting the U.S. homeland from the myriad of threats we face in today's complex global security environment. On a day like today, when we reflect on what happened in Minnesota, when we

reflect on what happened in New Jersey, and when we reflect on what happened in New York, we know that efforts to protect our homeland are critically important.

In a recent letter to the President, several colleagues and I expressed grave concerns about the rapid advancement of North Korea's nuclear ballistic missile program. That regime represents a grave threat to global peace and stability and is a direct threat to the U.S. homeland—and that is what our bases in Colorado are responsible for. While we in Congress urge the President to take actions to counter the North Korean threat, the American people rely on the hard-working men and women at NORAD-NORTHCOM to protect us from this rogue regime.

Just down the road from Peterson Air Force Base is Schriever Air Force Base, which is home to the 50th Space Wing of the Air Force Space Command. Schriever provides command and control for over 170 Department of Defense warning, navigational, and communications satellites. The global positioning satellite, or GPS, is operated by the 2nd Space Operations Squadron at Schriever. If you successfully use your Google Maps today, it is because of the good work by the satellite operators at Schriever.

Schriever is home to the Joint Interagency Space Operations Center, or JICSpOC. Established in 2015, the JICSpOC consolidates efforts between the DOD, U.S. Strategic Command, and the intelligence community to create unity of effort and facilitate U.S. information-sharing across the national security space enterprise. JICSpOC will enhance U.S. space operations, contribute to operational command and control within the Department of Defense, and improve the Nation's ability to protect and defend critical infrastructure in an increasingly contested space environment.

Since 1966, Cheyenne Mountain Air Force, stationed in Colorado Springs, has been a synergistic hub for tracking security threats worldwide and serves as an essential component to the defense of North America and global security. Cheyenne Mountain is an engineering marvel that provides an electromagnetic pulse-hardened facility to protect our Nation's most vital interests. Many of the people around the country may know Cheyenne Mountain Air Force Station as the site of Matthew Broderick in the movie "WarGames."

Last but not least of the major Air Force installations in Colorado is the U.S. Air Force Academy. Since the 1955 swearing-in of its first class of cadets, the Air Force Academy has been developing leaders of character to lead the world's best Air Force. The Air Force Academy educates, trains, and inspires men and women to become officers of character, motivated to lead the U.S. Air Force in service to our Nation.

In addition to celebrating the Air Force's 69th birthday, I would also like

to recognize that this year, 2016, is the 40th anniversary of women cadets enrolling in the U.S. Air Force Academy. Just as the Air Force leads the way as the preeminent global air power, the Air Force Academy has been leading the way with the integration of women cadets into the Cadet Wing.

In 1972, the Air Force Academy issued Operational Plan 36-72, which laid the groundwork for the arrival of its first 156 female cadets in the summer of 1976. In the proceeding 40 years, women cadets and graduates have made extraordinary contributions to both the academy and to the Air Force. These contributions are exemplified by women such as Michelle Johnson, who in 1980 became the first woman cadet wing commander, which is the highest ranking cadet in the academy, and then in 1981 she became the first woman cadet to become a Rhodes scholar. In 2013, Lt. Gen. Michelle Johnson became the first female superintendent of any military service academy when she became the superintendent of the U.S. Air Force Academy. Heather Wilson was the first female veteran to serve in Congress. Lt. Gen. Susan J. Helms was the first woman graduate of the Air Force Academy to go into space. Lieutenant Roslyn Schulte became the first female graduate killed by enemy action in 2009. These women and countless others are why the State of Colorado is proud, honored, and humbled to host the U.S. Air Force Academy.

On behalf of all Coloradoans and a grateful nation, I wish the U.S. Air Force a happy 69th birthday. Aim high, fly, fight, and win.

I yield the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. COATS). Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL. Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Will the Senator withhold.

#### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS EXPIRING AUTHORITIES ACT OF 2016

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will proceed to the consideration of H.R. 5985, which the clerk will report.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 5985) to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain expiring provisions of law administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. There will now be 30 minutes of debate equally divided in the usual form.

The Senator from Connecticut is recognized.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL. Mr. President, I see my friend and colleague, the chairman of the VA Committee, here. I will happily yield to him to speak first, or I can proceed and then yield to him afterwards.

Mr. ISAKSON. I appreciate that. I yield to the Senator from Connecticut to begin.

Mr. BLUMENTHAL. Mr. President, I am pleased and honored to be here today to speak in support of H.R. 5985, the Department of Veterans Affairs Expiring Authorities Act. We will vote on it shortly. I thank my colleagues for what I expect to be an overwhelmingly positive vote to affirm our commitment to the veterans of America and that neither dysfunction nor distraction of what is happening during this season of elections will prevent us from keeping the lights on in the Veterans Affairs Department.

As its name implies, this measure would maintain 27 vital ongoing programs and services that the VA provides through the next year. I commend Chairman MILLER and Ranking Member TAKANO in the House for drafting this bipartisan measure that is so important and necessary. We have worked collaboratively with them. Chairman ISAKSON and I have met with them numerous times, and it has truly been a cooperative and collaborative effort.

This legislation authorizes an increase in the existing VA caregivers program of \$10 million, going from \$724 million to \$734 million, as well as a grants program that assists homeless veterans and provides them with support services.

The bill we will vote on this evening will also give the Secretary of the VA the exact same power as the Secretary of Education has with respect to title IV in the event of a university's sudden loss of accreditation. It is critically important. As we have seen with ITT and Corinthian, for-profit colleges have abruptly closed, leaving veterans stranded. This bill will empower the VA Secretary to provisionally approve programs for use with the GI bill so that veterans may transition to another course of study. Without this provision becoming law now, veterans who attended those schools like ITT may find themselves in a similar untenable, unacceptable, unfair situation. They lose education benefits and, equally troubling, benefits for their housing and food allowance, which they so critically need.

I am pleased we can vote on this measure tonight and send it to the President's desk for his signature. But the simple, stark fact is that this bill is simply a small down payment—a small step in the direction that we must move and that the Senate must accomplish in the days that remain in this session to honor all who have served. It is just one of a series of congressional actions that are needed before we recess to ensure that for-profit schools that put their profits before

veterans' rights to an education do not hurt our veterans as their business model collapses.

The Senate should also pass the Veterans Education Relief and Reinstatement Act that Senator TILLIS of North Carolina and I have introduced. This bill is bipartisan, as is this bill, and would grant an emergency housing stipend to those students who are adversely affected by destabilizing permanent school closures. Corinthian College and, more recently, ITT give a voice and face to this staggeringly real problem for so many veterans who are the victims of the exploitation by these for-profit schools.

Our mission of ensuring that no veteran is left behind will not be completed by the vote we take this evening. It is just a down payment. I urge my colleagues to join with me in supporting H.R. 5985 and beginning and concluding the hard work of passing other bills that have been reported out of the Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee, with the strong bipartisan work, collaboration, and partnership among the chairman, Senator ISAKSON, and myself.

I thank Senator ISAKSON for being here this evening, and I will be honored to yield to him now.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Georgia.

Mr. ISAKSON. Mr. President, I am honored to join the ranking member, Senator BLUMENTHAL from Connecticut, on this important day.

This morning when I woke up, I began preparing for a speech I made at Oglethorpe University at 11 o'clock this morning on Constitution Day, and it reminded me of what an important September day today is.

Senator Robert Byrd, the distinguished Democrat, majority leader, and President pro tempore of the Senate for many years and who served here for many decades, amended an appropriations act on September 19, 2004, to designate today as Constitution Day. So it is a great honor for me to speak on the floor to honor our veterans on the day we honor our Constitution because, without our veterans, there would be no Constitution. Without those who fight to defend our freedom and our liberty around the world, there would be no Constitution. So it is a great day to do this.

I wish to express my agreement with exactly what Senator BLUMENTHAL said. This is a mere down payment. It is an acknowledgment. There is lots of work to be done. Critically, though, this extender bill addresses any number of programs in the VA that will expire at the end of the fiscal year unless they are extended. Most importantly are homeless programs, which are critically important, and adaptive sports programs, which are critically important as well.

So by adopting this bill, our homeless programs will stay in place and our adaptive sports programs will stay in place. As Senator BLUMENTHAL said,

should the Secretary of Education shut down an institution midterm, this provides help to that student who is a veteran to see to it that they don't lose their benefit and they can continue their education.

Again, this is a small down payment. We have other things yet to be done. Hopefully, they will be done after we come back for the lameduck session after the election. But tonight, all Members of the Senate from both parties—Republicans and Democrats—can help us make a down payment on Constitution Day to those who make our freedom and liberty possible—our veterans of the United States of America.

I urge an "aye" vote from each Member of the Senate.

I yield back the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. ISAKSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. ISAKSON. Mr. President, I yield back all time.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. All time is yielded back.

The bill was ordered to a third reading and was read the third time.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The bill having been read the third time, the question is, Shall the bill pass?

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant bill clerk called the roll.

Mr. CORNYN. The following Senators are necessarily absent: the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. JOHNSON), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. KIRK), the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI), the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. SCOTT), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS), and the Senator from Alaska (Mr. SULLIVAN).

Further, if present and voting, the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. JOHNSON) would have voted "yea" and the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. SCOTT) would have voted "yea."

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS), the Senator from Virginia (Mr. Kaine), the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS), and the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) are necessarily absent.

I further announce that, if present and voting, the Senator from Virginia (Mr. Kaine) would vote yea.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. LANKFORD). Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The result was announced—yeas 89, nays 0, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 143 Leg.]

## YEAS—89

Alexander	Ernst	Murphy
Ayotte	Feinstein	Murray
Baldwin	Fischer	Nelson
Barrasso	Flake	Paul
Bennet	Franken	Perdue
Blumenthal	Gardner	Peters
Blunt	Gillibrand	Portman
Booker	Graham	Reed
Boozman	Grassley	Reid
Boxer	Hatch	Risch
Brown	Heinrich	Roberts
Burr	Heitkamp	Rounds
Cantwell	Heller	Rubio
Capito	Hirono	Sasse
Cardin	Hoeben	Schatz
Carper	Inhofe	Schumer
Casey	Isakson	Shaheen
Cassidy	King	Shelby
Coats	Klobuchar	Stabenow
Cochran	Lankford	Tester
Collins	Leahy	Thune
Corker	Lee	Tillis
Cornyn	Manchin	Toomey
Cotton	Markey	Udall
Crapo	McCain	Vitter
Cruz	McCaskill	Warren
Daines	McConnell	Whitehouse
Donnelly	Menendez	Wicker
Durbin	Merkley	Wyden
Enzi	Moran	

## NOT VOTING—11

Coons	Mikulski	Sessions
Johnson	Murkowski	Sullivan
Kaine	Sanders	Warner
Kirk	Scott	

The bill (H.R. 5985) was passed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Wyoming.

## MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The Senator from Ohio.

Mr. BROWN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that I be permitted to speak for up to 15 minutes.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## VOTING RIGHTS

Mr. BROWN. Mr. President, last year our country celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, one of the most important pieces of legislation that was passed in the 20th century. It opened the door for millions of Americans to exercise their constitutional right to vote. But this year will mark the first Presidential election in half a century without the full protections guaranteed by that landmark law. One of the worst decisions this corporate-dominated Supreme Court made was *Shelby County v. Holder*, which struck down a key part of the law, taking the teeth out of provisions that protect voters from suppression laws.

Since that misguided decision, States across the country have passed new voting restrictions that would disenfranchise hundreds of thousands of Americans. At least 17 States have passed new voting restrictions since the *Shelby County* restriction. We

know who is hurt most by these laws—African Americans, Latinos, young people, and seniors.

In North Carolina, before enacting one of these laws, the State legislature specifically asked for data on voting patterns by race. Once they had this data, they decided to eliminate or limit the voting methods used by African-American voters. Thankfully, the Fourth Circuit Court struck down this blatant attempt to disenfranchise one group of voters, writing: “The new provisions target African Americans with almost surgical precision.”

In my State of Ohio, the courts have shamefully allowed laws such as these to stay on the books. Last week we were dealt multiple blows.

First, the Supreme Court refused to hear an appeal on the Sixth Circuit’s decision ending “Golden Week”—created by a Republican legislature a decade ago—when voters can register and vote on the same day during the 1 week early-voting period. In May, Judge Watson—a George W. Bush appointee in the Southern District in Columbus—found that the laws limiting early voting and registration would disproportionately impact African Americans. Judge Watson did the right thing, but the ultraconservative Sixth Circuit ruled to overturn that ruling, ending “Golden Week.” Last week the Supreme Court nodded 4 to 4 because the Republican majority leader won’t let the Senate do its job to have hearings and confirmation on Judge Garland. The Supreme Court declined to intervene.

Then the Sixth Circuit overturned a lower court ruling that had thrown out new Ohio laws imposing stricter requirements on absentee and provisional voters. Judge Damon Keith’s dissent in this case captured what these restrictions are really all about. He notes that during the committee debate over the law, one legislator asked: “Should we really be making it easier for those people who take the bus after church on Sunday to vote?”—making it crystal clear exactly what they were targeting and whom they were targeting.

Judge Keith continues:

Democracies die behind closed doors.

Voting is the ultimate expression of self-government. Instead of making it easier for all persons, unrestrained and unfettered, to exercise this fundamental right to vote, legislators are making it harder.

States are audaciously nullifying a right for which our ancestors relentlessly fought and—in some instances—even tragically died.

I would point out that only about a decade ago, this body and the House overwhelmingly, bipartisanly renewed the Voting Rights Act that the Court struck down. Now one political party is digging in in opposition to that. It is no secret what these laws are about. State legislators have made it perfectly clear.

In 2008, African Americans voted early in person at a rate more than 20 times greater than White voters. We all remember the scenes from Cuyahoga

County, Cleveland, in 2004 when some voters waited as long as 7 hours to vote. For hourly workers, college students who work a third shift, parents who have to drop their children off at school, and many others, early voting ensures that their voices will be heard. In 2012, 10 percent of the electorate—600,000 people—voted early in my State. That is 600,000 voices that might not have been heard were it not for early voting. But some judges who dress in suits and lead very privileged lives with generous benefits from taxpayers have decided these voices aren’t worth hearing. As Judge Keith said, democracies die behind closed doors. This body refuses to hold a hearing on the nominee who would have allowed the Supreme Court to hear the appeal on the “Golden Week” issue and issue a real decision.

This body refuses to bring to the floor the bipartisan Voting Rights Advancement Act.

In 1981, when signing an extension to the Voting Rights Act, President Reagan called the right to vote “the crown jewel of American liberties.” Ronald Reagan would have seen his political party today going in exactly the opposite direction, and that is sad.

## HONORING OUR ARMED FORCES

SEAMAN 1ST CLASS WILLIAM WELCH

Mr. BROWN. Mr. President, I rise to honor Seaman 1st Class William W. Welch, a native of Springfield, OH—an American hero who laid down his life for our country during the attack on Pearl Harbor.

Seaman Welch was known to his family as Billy. He enlisted in the Navy, as so many did in those days, at 17. He left during his senior year at Springfield Catholic Central High School, so determined was he to serve his country. On December 7, 1941, Welch was stationed on the USS *Oklahoma*, docked at the U.S. Naval Base at Pearl Harbor. The *Oklahoma* was the first to be hit that fateful morning by the Japanese.

Of the more than 1,300 crew aboard, 429 perished that day—a loss of life second only to the better known USS *Arizona*. The ship capsized, and Billy Welch was among the first of so many Americans to make the ultimate sacrifice for our Nation during World War II. Billy’s grieving family was dealt an additional blow when their son’s remains were not returned to them, and they were unable to give him a burial befitting his sacrifice.

It wasn’t until 1943 that the Navy was able to right the *Oklahoma* and began trying to identify the remains. By then, with the technology available in the 1940s, it was too late for most sailors. Billy and his fellow sailors were buried as “unknowns,” and they had rested in the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific in Honolulu until last year.

In 2014, Billy Welch’s nephew, Michael, contacted my office. He was

fighting—for want of a better term—with the Department of Defense, begging them to try to identify his uncle's remains with the new technology available in 2014. He was part of a movement of families and veterans trying to piece together where their loved ones were buried and get them returned home.

In 2015, the Pentagon announced plans to exhume and attempt to identify the fallen sailors and soldiers buried in the Pacific. DOD began removing caskets and using dental records and DNA to identify the remains and return those fallen heroes to their families.

Billy Welch was identified. Now, with the help of dedicated staff in my office, next month he will finally be returned to Springfield and buried with full military honors in his hometown. It will be my honor to stand with Seaman Welch's family at Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Springfield and witness this hero be shown the honor and appreciation he deserves and his family has been denied for so long.

Billy and his fellow sailors may not have known the contribution they were making that day on the USS *Oklahoma* to future generations at home and around the world as the first to sacrifice their lives fighting tyranny during the Second World War. That makes their actions all the more heroic. There is a reason we call them the "greatest generation."

We are losing more and more of that generation with each passing day. Less than 700,000 World War II veterans remain with us. We lose some 430 of those heroes each day. My father, a World War II veteran stationed in New Zealand and Iran—what he always called Persia World War II—passed away back in the year 2000.

Projects like this one are all the more important and more timely. We need to identify these sailors and soldiers now, while their loved ones are still with us and still able to pay their proper respects. We owe William Welch and all those who gave their lives for our country a burial and, equally important, a tribute that befits their service and their sacrifice. I will be honored to take part in that tribute for Seaman Welch next month.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### TRIBUTE TO ROY SCHOTT

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I rise to pay tribute to a hard-working businessowner, veteran, and respected Kentuckian, Mr. Roy Schott. Mr. Schott recently celebrated 61 years of work as a mechanic and service station owner and 55 years as a U-Haul outlet.

His dedication to his work is something to be admired by us all.

Mr. Schott's journey began at the age of 15 when he discovered his interest and aptitude in mechanics. This led him to his first job in a garage, where he repaired motor vehicles. In 1951, he left his job and home to serve our country in the Korean war as a motor sergeant.

Upon returning to London, KY, from his time in the military, he and a friend opened a service station. Mr. Schott made an addition to his business in 1961 after seeing a U-Haul ad in the paper. The service station became Schott Marathon and U-Haul Dealership. At that time, U-Haul charged only \$3 a day to rent a trailer, later adding a \$1 fee for hitch rentals.

Mr. Schott's secrets to U-Haul success are good help, good customer service, and a good field manager. To this day, he has remained active in his business, coming every day to work alongside his loyal employees and interacting with his customers. After the loss of his wife in 2002, Mr. Schott considered retiring, but ultimately decided that he loves his job too much to ever stop.

I am very honored to represent Mr. Schott here in the U.S. Senate and want to wish him congratulations on his many years of service not only to the people of London, KY, but also to this nation. I am sure my U.S. Senate colleagues join me in expressing gratitude and admiration for his service as well. He truly represents the finest of Kentucky.

Mr. President, an area publication, the *Sentinel-Echo*, published a compelling article on Roy Schott's life. I ask unanimous consent that the article be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

[From the *Sentinel-Echo*, Aug. 22, 2016]

STILL GOING STRONG: ROY SCHOTT CELEBRATES 61 YEARS OF KEEPING VEHICLES ON THE ROAD

(By Nita Johnson)

London businessman Roy Schott has many memories.

He will share some of those, but often says they are not important.

But after 61 years of operating Schott's Service Station on Main Street, he has a lot of memories and a lot of knowledge to go with it.

"Be sure to find out what kind of oil it needs," he said to a customer who called his business on Thursday afternoon, before going into the service section and assisting an employee with loosening bolts on a car part.

Schott said he got involved in the mechanic business because it paid better than some other vocations available in 1943.

"I started working at a garage that is where the *Sentinel-Echo* is now," he said. "I got \$1.50 a day. Other places only paid \$1 a day, except the railroad and it paid \$1 an hour."

Schott learned to weld as part of his job, recalling that parts weren't manufactured then as they are today.

"If a bus came in with a broken window, you had to fix it with a piece of tin," he said.

Schott left the business in 1951 with many other Laurel Countians who went to serve

their country in the Korean War. He served two years during that conflict "when all hell was going on." War is no good memory for Schott, who still tears up when he thinks about the end of World War II.

"When World War II ended, the bell at the courthouse rang all day," he said. "There would be four or five bodies of boys come in every day."

Schott served as combat engineer in Korea, where he was a motor sergeant and oversaw 23 trucks. He remembers those trying times through a book presented to Korean veterans by the Korean government. The book shows pictures of the devastation during and following the war there, but highlights the achievements made over the years as the country rebuilt.

Once safely back home after the Korean War, Schott opened his service station on South Main Street near the former Ormsby Hardware. While also operating his service station, Schott became an authorized U-Haul rental facility. He credits Bill Ormsby for that venture—one that earned him recognition from U-Haul last year for 55 years as an authorized dealer.

"I'm the oldest one in the state, probably the oldest one in the country," he laughed.

But in 1955, Schott got a loan to start his own business. He remembers that day when his loan was approved.

"It was August 28, 1955," he said. "When you borrow money you know the date you got it."

He moved the business to its current spot on North Main Street across from London Elementary School in 1960. Now, 56 years later, he continues the tradition he began, still working performing his magic on brakes, tires and air conditioning units. The business has served him well, providing for his four children over the years. He also has grandchildren, of whom he cannot hide his pride.

"Let me tell you about my grandchildren. No, that would take too long," he said with a laugh.

Schott plans to continue to work until he is no longer able, refusing to retire. When asked if he still works on vehicles himself, he holds out his hands as proof.

"I guess I do," he said.

He once considered retirement following the death of his wife 14 years ago. But his son-in-law quickly talked him out of it.

"He said, 'What are you going to do, climb the walls?' so I decided to stay open," he said.

He believes working and staying busy is why he continues to be able to serve residents in the London and Laurel areas.

"A friend who retired told me to work all I could," he said. "He said the walls would close in on you after a little while. So when people ask me if I'm going to stay here until they have to carry me out, I tell them I guess they will."

#### GEAR UP HAWAII

Mr. SCHATZ. Mr. President, today, September 19, marks the beginning of National Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs, GEAR UP, Week, and I would like to recognize the meaningful work of GEAR UP in Hawaii.

Since 1998, GEAR UP has provided support and resources to low-income students across the country to inform them about, prepare for, and succeed in college. GEAR UP helps these students, many who are first-generation college students, overcome the challenges they face in their communities.

GEAR UP Hawaii serves over 16,000 students each year from low-income and underserved communities throughout the State in grades 7 through 12 and in their first year in college. The program equips students with the tools they need to succeed in college and their careers. GEAR UP delivers a number of services to students, including supporting early college-level academic preparation in high school, providing opportunities for early college options, increasing college access and financial aid information to students and families, and advising students during their first year of college to increase first-year completion. GEAR UP Hawaii has gained national recognition for its success in closing the achievement gap among groups traditionally underrepresented in higher education and helping low-income students prepare for college.

Through its collaborative partnerships between Hawaii's State Department of Education, K-12 schools, the University of Hawaii, local businesses, and community organizations, GEAR UP Hawaii inspires students to see postsecondary education as something they can achieve. The early outreach GEAR UP Hawaii performs is key to improving access to postsecondary education for students from low-income families in our State.

The program's results demonstrate that GEAR UP Hawaii is making significant strides towards increasing the number of low-income students who are prepared for and enroll in college. For example, 20 percent of Step Up Scholars, a GEAR UP Hawaii program, graduated from high school in June 2015 with the Board of Education Recognition Diploma, BOERD, compared to 14 percent of students statewide. The BOERD is an honors diploma that requires students to earn a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 and complete a senior project. Additionally, GEAR UP has increased the availability of High School Based Running Start, HBRBS, courses, which allow high school students to attend University of Hawaii classes to earn both high school and college credits. For the Hawaii class of 2014, 83 percent of students who took at least one HBRBS course enrolled in college the semester after graduation compared to the statewide average of 56 percent. Thanks to these programs, thousands of Hawaii's students graduate from high school every year better prepared for college and for their futures.

A college education is a path of opportunity for our students. GEAR UP Hawaii has been and will continue to be critical in supporting the State's goal of having 55 percent of working-age adults in the State earn a college degree by 2025. I commend GEAR UP Hawaii for the vital role it plays in helping Hawaii's students access and excel in their higher education.

## ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

## REMEMBERING BEN CRAIG

• Mr. MORAN. Mr. President, all who knew Ben Craig know that his passing marks the loss of an exceptional family man, local leader, and community banker. Ben was a great neighbor and a shining example of a Kansan who improved the lives of all he knew.

The youngest of five children, Ben was born in 1929 to Benjamin D. Craig, Sr., and Orpha (Cox) Craig. He grew up and went to school in Baxter Springs, where he was an avid baseball player and sports fan. During high school, he was the pitcher for the Baxter Whiz Kids, the local regional team.

He attended the University of Kansas, and during his college years, he pursued his minor league baseball dreams playing with the New York Yankees and the St. Louis Browns.

After the Korean war began in 1950, Ben enlisted in the Air Force and spent 18 months stationed in Tripoli, Libya. Following his deployment, he returned to the States and was stationed at Sewart Air Force Base near Nashville, TN. He was joined by his new bride, Evadean Talbot, who he married after returning home from Tripoli. In 1954, he was honorably discharged from the service as an E-5 tech sergeant.

Ben's long career in business began after leaving the Air Force when he took a job with the Cassville, MO, chamber of commerce. He later worked with the Kansas City, KS, chamber before beginning a banking career that would span decades. Ben served as president of Metcalf Bank in Kansas City for 35 years and then as chairman of the board until 2007. When the bank was sold in 2007, Ben remained on the board of directors and served as chairman emeritus until his death.

In addition to strengthening the Kansas City economy with his work in the banking community, where small businesses and families alike could depend on Ben for solid financial assistance and advice, Ben served in leadership positions in a number of local charities and service organizations. For 52 years, he had perfect attendance in the Overland Park Rotary Club, which is where I first met him. He also played a key role in establishing many of the Kansas City institutions we know today, such as Johnson County Community College, Shawnee Mission Medical Center, and the Overland Park Chamber of Commerce.

Ben was preceded in death by his wife of 52 years, Evadean. He leaves behind his friend and companion of the last 10 years, Vivian Sirratt, along with his daughters, Denise Koonse (Charles), Kellee Hearst (Rex), granddaughters, Amanda Lubiewski (Michael), Kelsey Houchen (Andrew), and great-granddaughters, Abigail and Emily Lubiewski.

Ben's dedication to public service and constant desire to find ways he could help others will benefit generations of

Kansans to come. He had a kind heart and giving nature. Ben was a natural leader who freely gave his time to all he knew. I am thankful for my friendship with him. May he rest in peace.●

## REMEMBERING RODGER MCCONNELL

• Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, on July 21, 2016, shortly before his 72nd birthday, the United States lost a great man, an outstanding soldier, and an unparalleled advocate for his fellow veterans—and I lost a great friend. Rodger McConnell's legacy will be forever remembered as one of perseverance, passion, a humbling work ethic, and an enduring love of Starbucks coffee.

Born in August 1944, Rodger graduated high school in 1962 and found employment with a local gas company for several years.

Answering the call of duty, Rodger enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1966. He saw combat in Vietnam as a cavalry troop forward observer for mortars and artillery with the 9th Infantry Division and the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment before his honorable discharge a year later.

In his postwar years, Rodger overcame several personal hardships, including homelessness and posttraumatic stress disorder, but he remained undaunted and undefeated. It was these struggles that created an empathetic man, who became a tireless and fearless advocate for other struggling veterans.

Eventually receiving a liberal arts degree from Carroll College and a master's degree in K-12 education from Montana State University-Northern, Rodger spent several years as an educator before he retired in 2003 and launched into his unwavering service for veterans in Cascade County.

Working with State District Judge Greg Pinski, Rodger helped create a veterans court to help veterans navigate the justice system and get the help and treatment they need to get back on their feet. Rodger also played a pivotal role in constructing the Montana Veterans Memorial, which serves as a landmark in Great Falls to honor those who have served.

Most notably, Rodger spearheaded the "Stand Down" event in Great Falls, providing veterans with clothing and access to job training and health services. Through this important event, Rodger made a difference in the lives of hundreds of veterans.

Rodger was also an extremely active volunteer, contributing to the Great Falls community by registering voters, hosting a radio show on a local Great Falls station, and volunteering with the local Optimist Club.

In Rodger's eyes, the community was his family, and he was theirs.

Let us now take a moment to recognize the exceptional life of Rodger McConnell and the legacy he left behind. It is a legacy I hope each of us can aspire towards.●



## MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries.

## EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

## MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 3348. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to require candidates of major parties for the office of President to disclose recent tax return information.

## EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-6862. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Aspergillus flavus strains TC16F, TC35C, TC38B, and TC46G; Temporary Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9951-44) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6863. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Ammonium persulfate; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9951-08) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6864. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Thiabendazole; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9950-05) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6865. A communication from the Chairman, Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Releasing Information; Availability of Records of the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation; Fees for Provision of Information" (RIN3055-AA12) received in the Office of the President pro tempore of the Senate; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6866. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on politically motivated act of boycott of, divestment from, and sanctions against Israel; to the Committees on Appropriations; and Foreign Relations.

EC-6867. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on politically motivated act of boycott of, divestment from, and sanctions against Israel; to the Committees on Appropriations; and Foreign Relations.

EC-6868. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Civil Monetary Penalty Inflation Adjustment" (RIN0790-AJ42) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6869. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "TRICARE; Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Treatment" (RIN0720-AB65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6870. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Professional U.S. Scouting Organization Operations at U.S. Military Installations Overseas; Technical Amendment" (RIN0790-AI98) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6871. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of two (2) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of rear admiral (lower half) in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6872. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the Entity List" (RIN0694-AH00) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6873. A communication from the Chair, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2015 Annual Report of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC); to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6874. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Russian Sanctions: Addition of Certain Entities to the Entity List" (RIN0694-AH02) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6875. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments to Existing Validated End-User Authorization in the People's Republic of China: Boeing Tianjin Composites Co. Ltd." (RIN0694-AH05) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6876. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Wassenaar Arrangement 2015 Plenary Agreements Implementation, Removal of

Foreign National Review Requirements, and Information Security Updates" (RIN0694-AG85) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6877. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to an alternative plan for monthly basic pay increases for members of the uniformed services for 2017; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6878. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: New Designated Country—Moldova" ((RIN0750-AJ07) (DFARS Case 2016-D028)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 15, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6879. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Policy), Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department's anti-personnel landmine (APL) policy; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6880. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR) Program" (RIN0790-AJ40) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 15, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6881. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Department of Energy Property Management Regulations" (RIN1991-AB73) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6882. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations and Standards Branch, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oil and Gas and Sulfur Operations on the Outer Continental Shelf—Oil and Gas and Production Safety Systems" (RIN1014-AA10) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 7, 2016; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6883. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Revision to Chapter 7, 'Instrumentation and Controls' of NUREG-0800, 'Standard Review Plan (SRP) for the Review of Safety Analysis Reports for Nuclear Power Plants: LWR Edition'" (NUREG-0800) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 15, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6884. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Steam Generator Materials and Design" (NUREG-0800) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 15, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6885. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of California Air Plan Revisions, Department of Pesticide Regulations"

(FRL No. 9951-19-Region 9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6886. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Partial Approval and Partial Disapproval of Air Quality Implementation Plans; NJ; Infrastructure SIP Requirements for 2008 Lead, 2008 Ozone, 2010 Nitrogen Dioxide, 2010 Sulfur Dioxide, and 2012 PM<sub>2.5</sub>, 2006 PM<sub>10</sub> and 2011 Carbon Monoxide NAAQS: Interstate Transport Provisions" (FRL No. 9952-41-Region 2) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6887. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of Iowa's Air Quality Implementation Plans; Correction" (FRL No. 9952-44-Region 7) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6888. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Control of Volatile Organic Compounds Emissions from Fiberglass Boat Manufacturing Materials; Withdrawal of Direct Final Rule" (FRL No. 9952-47-Region 3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6889. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Tennessee; Revision and Removal of Stage I and II Gasoline Vapor Recovery Program" (FRL No. 9952-50-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6890. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; SC Infrastructure Requirements for the 2010 1-hour NO<sub>2</sub> NAAQS" (FRL No. 9952-28-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6891. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Ohio; Infrastructure SIP Requirements for the 2012 PM<sub>2.5</sub> NAAQS" (FRL No. 9952-42-Region 5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6892. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Alabama; Volatile Organic Compounds" (FRL No. 9952-30-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6893. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval/Disapproval; MS

Infrastructure Requirements for the 2010 NO<sub>2</sub> NAAQS" (FRL No. 9952-33-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6894. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Texas; Infrastructure or Requirements for the 2008 Ozone and 2010 Nitrogen Dioxide National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9950-77-Region 6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6895. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of Colorado; Second Ten-Year PM<sub>10</sub> Maintenance Plan for Lamar" (FRL No. 9952-09-Region 8) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6896. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; VT; Prevention of Significant Deterioration, PM<sub>2.5</sub>" (FRL No. 9952-11-Region 1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6897. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; GA; Infrastructure Requirements for the 2010 1-hour NO<sub>2</sub> NAAQS" (FRL No. 9952-32-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6898. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval and Disapproval; North Carolina: New Source Review for Fine Particulate Matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>)" (FRL No. 9952-31-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6899. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Materials Reliability Program: Primary Water Stress Corrosion Cracking Mitigation by Surface Stress Improvement (MRP-335 Revision 3)" (TAC No. MF2429) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6900. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Removal of Environmental Considerations Regulations" ((RIN1660-AA87) (Docket No. FEMA-2016-0018)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 30, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6901. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Imple-

mentation Plans; Texas; Revisions to the General Definitions for Texas New Source Review and the Minor NSR Qualified Facilities Program" (FRL No. 9950-32-Region 6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6902. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Relief for Victims of Louisiana Storms" (Announcement 2016-30) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6903. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Waiver of 60-Day Rollover Requirement" (Rev. Proc. 2016-47) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6904. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Examinations of Returns and Claims for Refund, Credit, or Abatement; Determination of Correct Tax Liability" (Rev. Proc. 2016-46) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6905. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Definition of Real Estate Investment Trust Real Property" ((RIN1545-BM05) (TD 9784)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6906. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Definition of Terms Relating to Marital Status" ((RIN1545-BM10) (TD 9785)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6907. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Management Contracts Safe Harbors" (Rev. Proc. 2016-44) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6908. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Eliminating Business Purpose and Device as No-Rules under Section 355" (Rev. Proc. 2016-45) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6909. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Emergency Preparedness Requirements for Medicare and Medicaid Participating Providers and Suppliers" ((RIN0938-A091) (CMS-3178-F)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6910. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to Executive Order 13313 of July 31, 2003,

a semiannual report detailing telecommunications-related payments made to Cuba pursuant to Department of the Treasury licenses; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6911. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the interdiction of aircraft engaged in illicit drug trafficking; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6912. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-008); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6913. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-010); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6914. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-026); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6915. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-034); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6916. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-054); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6917. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-061); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6918. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a section of the Arms Export Control Act (RSAT 16-5068); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6919. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2016-0105 - 2016-0116); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6920. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "International Traffic in Arms: Revisions to Definition of Export and Related Definitions" (RIN1400-AD70) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 6, 2016; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6921. A communication from the Deputy Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Priorities—Enhanced Assessment Instruments" ((CFDA No. 84.368A.) (Docket No. ED-2016-OESE-0004)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6922. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services,

transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Maximum Civil Money Penalty Amounts; Technical Amendment" (Docket No. FDA-2016-N-1745) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6923. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Adjustment of Civil Monetary Penalties for Inflation" (RIN0970-AC0) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 2, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6924. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Developmental Disabilities Programs for fiscal years 2011-2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6925. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Pre-market Approval of Pediatric Uses of Devices—Fiscal Year 2014"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6926. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Division of Select Agents and Toxins, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Possession, Use, and Transfer of Select Agents and Toxins—Addition of *Bacillus cereus* Biovar anthracis to the HHS List of Select Agents and Toxins" (RIN0920-AA64) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6927. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semi-annual reports of the Attorney General relative to enforcement actions taken by the Department of Justice under the Lobbying Disclosure Act for the period from July 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015; to the Committees on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; and the Judiciary.

EC-6928. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to an alternative plan for pay increases for civilian Federal employees covered by the General Schedule and certain other pay systems in January 2017, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 1, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6929. A communication from the Director, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interpretation, Exemptions and Waiver Guidance Concerning 18 U.S.C. 208 (Acts Affecting A Personal Financial Interest): Amendment to Definition of 'Employee'" (RIN3209-AA09) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 2, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6930. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance for Executive Order 13673, 'Fair Pay and Safe Workplaces'" (RIN1290-ZA02) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 26, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6931. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy, Management and Budget, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to an order that would cancel debts assessed against the Yakama Nation; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-6932. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to settlements and consent decrees and orders; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6933. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to settlements and consent decrees and orders; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6934. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator of the Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Agency, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schedules of Controlled Substances: Placement of PB-22, 5F-PB-22, AB-FUBINACA and ADB-PINACA into Schedule I" (Docket No. DEA-433) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 6, 2016; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6935. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Bureau of Competition, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Premerger Notification; Reporting and Waiting Period Requirements" (16 CFR Part 803) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 2, 2016; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6936. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Coming Into Focus: The Future of Juvenile Justice Reform, 2014 Annual Report"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6937. A communication from the Chief of the Border Security Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technical Corrections Relating to Issuance of Notices to Appear, Warrants of Removal, Exercise of Power by Immigration Officers, and Standards for Enforcement Activities" (CBP Dec. 16-14) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 1, 2016; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6938. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Government Contracting, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustments" (RIN3245-AG80) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2016; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-6939. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the recommendations and underlying objectives offered by the Commission on Care, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 1, 2016; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-6940. A communication from the Office Program Manager, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Telephone Enrollment in the VA Healthcare System" (RIN2900-AP68) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2016; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-6941. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal



No. FAA-2016-6983)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6966. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Textron Aviation, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-8992)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6967. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce Deutschland Ltd and Co KG Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2006-25513)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6968. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Great Egg Harbor Bay, Marmora, NJ" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0665)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6969. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Dredging, Shark River, NJ" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0824)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6970. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Caribbean Fantasy, Vessel on Fire; Punta Salinas, Toa Baja, Puerto Rico" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0832)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6971. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone; Kailua Bay, Oahu, HI" ((RIN1625-AA87) (Docket No. USCG-2015-1030)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6972. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone; U.S. Navy/U.S. Coast Guard Assets Demonstration in Conjunction with Fleet Week San Diego, San Diego Bay; San Diego, CA" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0756)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6973. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Upper Mississippi River, St. Louis, MO" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0689)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6974. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Port Huron Float-Down, St. Clair River, Port Huron, MI" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0751)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6975. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Hackensack River, Jersey City, NJ" ((RIN1625-AA09) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0173)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6976. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulated Navigation Area; Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, Kittery, ME and Portsmouth, NH" ((RIN1625-AA09) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0513)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6977. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "International Fisheries; Western and Central Pacific Fisheries for Highly Migratory Species; Closure on Purse Seine Fishery in the ELAPS in 2016" (RIN0648-XE741) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 2, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6978. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Fisheries" (RIN0648-XE725) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 2, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6979. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Snapper-Grouper Resources of the South Atlantic; Trip Limit Reduction" (RIN0648-XE824) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 2, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6980. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Bluefish Fishery; Quota Transfer" (RIN0648-XE782) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 2, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6981. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Ocean Perch in the West Yakutat District of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XE772) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 2, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6982. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Atka Mackerel in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XE833) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 2, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6983. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Slaton, TX" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2016-3785)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6984. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Dupree, SD" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2015-3599)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6985. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Take-off Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (76); Amdt. No. 3709" (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6986. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Take-off Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (15); Amdt. No. 3708" (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6987. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Take-off Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (112); Amdt. No. 3707" (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6988. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Take-off Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (86); Amdt. No. 3710" (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6989. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Part 95 Instrument Flight Rules; Miscellaneous

Amendments; Amendment No. 528" (RIN2120-AA63) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6990. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Labeling Rule" (RIN3084-AB15) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6991. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rules, Regulations, Statements of General Policy or Interpretation and Exemptions Under the Fair Packaging and Labeling Act" (RIN3084-AB33) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 2, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6992. A communication from the Paralegal, Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Public Transportation Safety Program" (RIN2132-AB22) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6993. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reciprocal Waivers of Claims for Licensed or Permitted Launch and Reentry Activities" ((RIN2120-AK44) (Docket No. FAA-2014-1012)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6994. A communication from the Trial Attorney, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "System Safety Program" (RIN2130-AC31) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6995. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "MU-2B Series Airplane Training Requirements Update" ((RIN2120-AK63) (Docket No. FAA-2006-24981)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6996. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reclassification of Specially Denatured Spirits and Completely Denatured Alcohol Formulas and Related Amendments" (RIN1513-AB59) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 8, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6997. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rates for Interstate Inmate Calling Services" ((FCC 16-102) (WC Docket No. 12-375)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6998. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of Managing Director, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Assessment and Collection of Regulatory Fees for Fiscal Year 2016" ((FCC 16-121) (MD Docket No. 16-166)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6999. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Chesapeake Bay, Hampton, VA" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0371)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petition or memorial was laid before the Senate and was referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-205. A petition from a citizen of the Commonwealth of Kentucky relative to veterans' benefits; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. ROBERTS, from the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

H.R. 2647. An act to expedite under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and improve forest management activities on National Forest System lands, on public lands under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, and on tribal lands to return resilience to overgrown, fire-prone forested lands, and for other purposes.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. RUBIO:

S. 3351. A bill to prohibit certain transfers of individuals detained at United States Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, to prohibit funds from being made available for the closure of that Naval Station, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. RUBIO:

S. 3352. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide student loan deferment for victims of terrorist attacks; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. MURPHY (for himself, Mrs. CAPITO, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. ALEXANDER):

S. Res. 570. A resolution recognizing the importance of substance abuse disorder treatment and recovery in the United States;

to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MANCHIN:

S. Res. 571. A resolution providing official recognition of the massacre of 11 African-American soldiers of the 333rd Field Artillery Battalion of the United States Army who had been captured near Wereth, Belgium, during the Battle of the Bulge on December 17, 1944; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 241

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 241, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the payment of temporary compensation to a surviving spouse of a veteran upon the death of the veteran, and for other purposes.

S. 391

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 391, a bill to preserve and protect the free choice of individual employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations, or to refrain from such activities.

S. 746

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 746, a bill to provide for the establishment of a Commission to Accelerate the End of Breast Cancer.

S. 1473

At the request of Mr. MARKEY, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1473, a bill to authorize the appropriation of funds to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for conducting or supporting research on firearms safety or gun violence prevention.

S. 1604

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. KIRK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1604, a bill to establish the Transition to Independence Medicaid Buy-In Option demonstration program.

S. 1651

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. MCCASKILL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1651, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 1679

At the request of Mr. HELLER, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. DONNELLY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1679, a bill to amend the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 to require that certain buildings and personal property be covered by flood insurance, and for other purposes.

S. 1766

At the request of Mr. SCHATZ, the name of the Senator from Michigan

(Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1766, a bill to direct the Secretary of Defense to review the discharge characterization of former members of the Armed Forces who were discharged by reason of the sexual orientation of the member, and for other purposes.

S. 1858

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1858, a bill to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex, gender identity, and sexual orientation, and for other purposes.

S. 2253

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the names of the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. MCCASKILL) and the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) were added as cosponsors of S. 2253, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide veterans affected by closures of educational institutions certain relief and restoration of educational benefits, and for other purposes.

S. 2268

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. PERDUE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2268, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the United States Army Dust Off crews of the Vietnam War, collectively, in recognition of their extraordinary heroism and life-saving actions in Vietnam.

S. 2541

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2541, a bill to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to clarify provisions enacted by the Captive Wildlife Safety Act to provide the conservation of prohibited wildlife species.

S. 2748

At the request of Ms. BALDWIN, the names of the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING) and the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 2748, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to increase the number of permanent faculty in palliative care at accredited allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, social work schools, and other programs, including physician assistant education programs, to promote education and research in palliative care and hospice, and to support the development of faculty careers in academic palliative medicine.

S. 2799

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2799, a bill to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to develop a voluntary patient registry to collect data on cancer incidence among firefighters.

S. 2895

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. BLUMENTHAL), the Senator from

Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY), the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) and the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. TILLIS) were added as cosponsors of S. 2895, a bill to extend the civil statute of limitations for victims of Federal sex offenses.

S. 2932

At the request of Mr. CASSIDY, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2932, a bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act with respect to the provision of emergency medical services.

S. 2953

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. MCCAIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2953, a bill to promote patient-centered care and accountability at the Indian Health Service, and for other purposes.

S. 2999

At the request of Mr. DAINES, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. KIRK) and the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) were added as cosponsors of S. 2999, a bill to prohibit the transfer of any individual detained at United States Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

S. 3065

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the names of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER), the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) and the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL) were added as cosponsors of S. 3065, a bill to amend parts B and E of title IV of the Social Security Act to invest in funding prevention and family services to help keep children safe and supported at home, to ensure that children in foster care are placed in the least restrictive, most family-like, and appropriate settings, and for other purposes.

S. 3183

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3183, a bill to prohibit the circumvention of control measures used by Internet ticket sellers to ensure equitable consumer access to tickets for any given event, and for other purposes.

S. 3188

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3188, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the incentives for biodiesel.

S. 3198

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND), the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) and the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) were added as cosponsors of S. 3198, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of adult day health care services for veterans.

S. 3217

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr.

DONNELLY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3217, a bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for an annuity supplement for certain air traffic controllers.

S. 3296

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the names of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BLUNT) and the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. TOOMEY) were added as cosponsors of S. 3296, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an exemption to the individual mandate to maintain health coverage for individuals residing in counties with fewer than 2 health insurance issuers offering plans on an Exchange.

S. 3330

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. KIRK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3330, a bill to reduce the benefits of employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs who are medical professionals and were convicted of violent crimes against veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 3335

At the request of Ms. BALDWIN, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. AYOTTE) and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 3335, a bill to require reporting regarding certain drug price increases, and for other purposes.

S. 3346

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the names of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. THUNE) were added as cosponsors of S. 3346, a bill to authorize the programs of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and for other purposes.

S. RES. 432

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 432, a resolution supporting respect for human rights and encouraging inclusive governance in Ethiopia.

S. RES. 527

At the request of Mr. UDALL, the names of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN), the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY), the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) and the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 527, a resolution recognizing the 75th anniversary of the opening of the National Gallery of Art.

S. RES. 564

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the names of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY) and the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 564, a resolution condemning North Korea's fifth nuclear test on September 9, 2016.

S. RES. 565

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from California

(Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 565, a resolution designating the week beginning September 12, 2016, as "National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week".

#### SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 570—RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE DISORDER TREATMENT AND RECOVERY IN THE UNITED STATES

Mr. MURPHY (for himself, Mrs. CAPITO, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. ALEXANDER) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:

S. RES. 570

Whereas National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month is observed in September of 2016;

Whereas, in 2015, an estimated 17,000,000 individuals in the United States were dependent on, or abused, alcohol;

Whereas substance use disorders are a serious public health threat in the United States, and are associated with—

- (1) mental and physical health conditions;
- (2) lower educational attainment;
- (3) underemployment or unemployment;
- (4) involvement with the criminal justice system;
- (5) victimization and perpetration of violence; and
- (6) homelessness;

Whereas, in 2014, 9.4 percent of adolescents in the United States used illicit drugs during the month before being surveyed;

Whereas young adults between the ages of 18 and 25 have higher rates of alcohol dependence and abuse and illicit substance dependence and abuse as compared to other age groups;

Whereas the rates of alcohol dependence or abuse and illicit substance dependence or abuse are higher among individuals—

- (1) without health insurance;
- (2) living in households with incomes less than 100 percent of the Federal poverty level; and
- (3) living in metropolitan areas;

Whereas 90 percent of individuals with alcohol dependence or abuse do not receive, or perceive a need for, treatment for their alcohol use;

Whereas the most recent epidemic of substance use disorders relates to prescription opioids and heroin, and approximately 600 individuals begin using heroin each day;

Whereas overdose deaths from opioids have nearly quadrupled since 1999;

Whereas drug-related suicide attempts leading to emergency department visits have increased by 51 percent since 2005;

Whereas 23,500,000 individuals in the United States are in recovery from substance use disorders;

Whereas the stigma associated with substance use disorders is an additional barrier to people of the United States who strive toward recovery every day;

Whereas substance use treatment has been shown to be effective in reducing substance use, and can produce positive outcomes for individuals; and

Whereas there is a nationwide need for—

- (1) increased education regarding substance use;
- (2) increased access to substance use treatment; and

(3) increased attention to reducing substance use stigma: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes the importance of National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month;

(2) affirms the continued need of the United States to provide resources for substance use education, treatment, and research; and

(3) honors the significant achievements of people of the United States who are in recovery from substance use disorders.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 571—PROVIDING OFFICIAL RECOGNITION OF THE MASSACRE OF 11 AFRICAN-AMERICAN SOLDIERS OF THE 333RD FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY WHO HAD BEEN CAPTURED NEAR WERETH, BELGIUM, DURING THE BATTLE OF THE BULGE ON DECEMBER 17, 1944

Mr. MANCHIN submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

S. RES. 571

Whereas, during the Battle of the Bulge in Belgium in December 1944, elements of the 333rd Field Artillery Battalion, an African-American unit, were among the units of the United States Army overrun in the initial German attack;

Whereas 11 soldiers from different batteries of the 333rd Field Artillery Battalion attempted to escape capture and return to the lines of the United States;

Whereas the 11 soldiers were Curtis Adams of South Carolina, Mager Bradley of Mississippi, George Davis, Jr. of Alabama, Thomas Forte of Mississippi, Robert Green of Georgia, James Leatherwood of Mississippi, Nathaniel Moss of Texas, George Motten of Texas, William Pritchett of Alabama, James Stewart of West Virginia, and Due Turner of Arkansas;

Whereas the 11 soldiers were captured by a German patrol composed of SS soldiers, who, after dark, marched the unarmed soldiers to a nearby field and massacred them;

Whereas the massacre of the 11 African-American soldiers of the 333rd Field Artillery Battalion in Wereth remains unknown to the vast majority of the people of the United States; and

Whereas, in 2004, a permanent monument was dedicated in Wereth to the 11 African-American soldiers of the 333rd Field Artillery Battalion who lost their lives in Wereth during the Battle of the Bulge in an effort to defeat fascism and defend freedom: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate officially recognizes the dedicated service and ultimate sacrifice on behalf of the United States of the 11 African-American soldiers of the 333rd Field Artillery Battalion of the United States Army who were massacred in Wereth, Belgium, during the Battle of the Bulge on December 17, 1944.

#### AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

##### COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. ISAKSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the

Senate on September 19, 2016, at 5 p.m., to hold a classified briefing entitled "Assessing the Recent North Korea Nuclear Event, Missile Tests and Regional Dynamics."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### WEST LOS ANGELES LEASING ACT OF 2016

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 5936, which was received from the House and is at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 5936) to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into certain leases at the Department of Veterans Affairs West Los Angeles Campus in Los Angeles, California, to make certain improvements to the enhanced-use lease authority of the Department, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. MCCONNELL. I know of no further debate on the bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there further debate?

The Chair hears none.

The bill was ordered to a third reading and was read the third time.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The bill having been read the third time, the question is, Shall the bill pass?

The bill (H.R. 5936) was passed.

Mr. MCCONNELL. I further ask unanimous consent that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### KOREAN WAR VETERANS MEMORIAL WALL OF REMEMBRANCE ACT OF 2016

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 572, H.R. 1475.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 1475) to authorize a Wall of Remembrance as part of the Korean War Veterans Memorial and to allow certain private contributions to fund that Wall of Remembrance.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill, which had been reported from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the following:

##### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

*This Act may be cited as the "Korean War Veterans Memorial Wall of Remembrance Act".*

##### SEC. 2. WALL OF REMEMBRANCE.

(a) AUTHORIZATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section 8908(c) of title 40, United States Code, the Korean War Veterans Memorial Foundation, Inc.,



may construct a Wall of Remembrance at the site of the Korean War Veterans Memorial.

(2) REQUIREMENT.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Wall of Remembrance shall include a list of names of members of the Armed Forces of the United States who died in the Korean War, as determined by the Secretary of Defense, in accordance with subparagraph (B).

(B) CRITERIA; SUBMISSION TO THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.—The Secretary of Defense shall—

(i) establish eligibility criteria for the inclusion of names on the Wall of Remembrance under subparagraph (A); and

(ii) provide to the Secretary of the Interior a final list of names for inclusion on the Wall of Remembrance under subparagraph (A) that meet the criteria established under clause (i).

(3) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.—The Wall of Remembrance may include other information about the Korean War, including the number of members of the Armed Forces of the United States, the Korean Augmentation to the United States Army, the Republic of Korea Armed Forces, and the other nations of the United Nations Command who, in regards to the Korean War—

(A) were killed in action;

(B) were wounded in action;

(C) are listed as missing in action; or

(D) were prisoners of war.

(b) COMMEMORATIVE WORKS ACT.—Except as provided in subsection (a)(1), chapter 89 of title 40, United States Code (commonly known as the “Commemorative Works Act”), shall apply.

(c) NO FEDERAL FUNDS.—No Federal funds may be used to construct the Wall of Remembrance.

Mr. McCONNELL. I ask unanimous consent that the committee-reported amendment be agreed to, the bill, as amended, be read a third time and passed, and the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The committee-reported amendment in the nature of a substitute was agreed to.

The amendment was ordered to be engrossed, and the bill to be read a third time.

The bill was read the third time.

The bill (H.R. 1475), as amended, was passed.

APPOINTMENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair announces, on behalf of the Democratic leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 114-215, the appointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the John F. Kennedy Centennial Commission: the Honorable EDWARD J. MARKEY of Massachusetts.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 20, 2016

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 10 a.m., Tuesday, September 20; that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; further, that following leader remarks, the Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to H.R. 5325; finally, that the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. to allow for the weekly conference meetings.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M.  
TOMORROW

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come be-

fore the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:29 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, September 20, 2016, at 10 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

UNITED STATES ADVISORY COMMISSION ON  
PUBLIC DIPLOMACY

MARKOS KOUNALAKIS, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES ADVISORY COMMISSION ON PUBLIC DIPLOMACY FOR A TERM EXPIRING JULY 1, 2017, VICE LYNDON L. OLSON, JR., TERM EXPIRED.

NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE  
HUMANITIES

GAIL O'CONNOR MELLOW, OF NEW YORK, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE HUMANITIES FOR A TERM EXPIRING JANUARY 26, 2022, VICE ALBERT J. BEVERIDGE III, TERM EXPIRED.

DANA A. WILLIAMS, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE HUMANITIES FOR A TERM EXPIRING JANUARY 26, 2022, VICE JOHN UNSWORTH, TERM EXPIRED.

EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF THE UNITED STATES

CLAUDIA SLACK, OF NEW YORK, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF THE UNITED STATES FOR A TERM EXPIRING JANUARY 20, 2019, VICE PATRICIA M. LOUI, TERM EXPIRED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

TINA S. KAIDANOW, OF MARYLAND, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE (POLITICAL-MILITARY AFFAIRS), VICE PUNEET TALWAR, RESIGNED.

JUSTIN H. SIBERELL, OF MARYLAND, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE COORDINATOR FOR COUNTERTERRORISM, WITH THE RANK AND STATUS OF AMBASSADOR AT LARGE, VICE TINA S. KAIDANOW, RESIGNED.

OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

ELIZABETH A. FIELD, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE INSPECTOR GENERAL, OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT, VICE PATRICK E. MCFARLAND, RESIGNED.

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### RECOGNIZING HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

**HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 19, 2016*

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is with deep respect and sincere admiration that I rise to celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month and its 2016 theme, Hispanic Americans: Embracing, Enriching, and Enabling America. From September 15, 2016, through October 15, 2016, in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, the people of the United States will once again celebrate the cultures and traditions and honor the many outstanding contributions of our Hispanic American brothers and sisters.

Hispanic Heritage Month, which begins each year on September 15, recognizes the anniversaries of the independence of five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua. Mexico and Chile observe their independence days on September 16 and September 18. Since its inception as National Hispanic Heritage Week in 1968, which later became National Hispanic Heritage Month in 1988, Americans have taken this time to not only honor the rich culture and traditions of Hispanic Americans, but also to reflect on the tremendous impact Hispanic Americans have had within their communities and throughout our nation. The tireless efforts of generations of Hispanic Americans have resulted in a better America.

America's success is reliant upon the rich heritage and cultural diversity of its people. Hispanic Heritage Month celebrates the many Hispanic leaders and members of our communities who have added to the prosperity of the United States in every facet of our society.

Mr. Speaker, at this time, I ask you and my other distinguished colleagues to once again join me in recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month. Throughout America's history, present, and future, the Hispanic community has played and will continue to play a major role in enriching the quality of life for the people of the United States, and for their outstanding contributions they are worthy of our respect and gratitude.

### IN RECOGNITION OF GAM GRAPHICS AND MARKETING'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY

**HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 19, 2016*

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate GAM Graphics and Marketing in Sterling, Virginia who celebrated their 40th anniversary this July. Opened by Charles Grant in 1976, GAM Graphics and Marketing provides quality printing and commercial serv-

ices to countless citizens throughout our great Commonwealth.

GAM was founded in the 1970s with the mission of teaching marketable job skills to students. Originally the printing was done by the students, mainly serving churches and mission groups; however commercial requests started in 1976. Within five years GAM was producing print products ranging from business cards to full-bound books and bulk mailings. GAM is a company run with compassion and a focus on providing excellent quality and service to their clients. In 1985, Nathaniel Grant took the reins at GAM and with his leadership the company continued to grow. Nathaniel and his sister Faith purchased the company from their parents in 1996. Under the guidance of Nathaniel and Faith, GAM modernized and the company continued to grow without any adverse effect on their excellent quality and service.

In closing Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in sending our most sincere appreciation to a company that has given so much to their neighbors. The Grant Family and the staff of GAM Graphics and Marketing serve as an example to all. On behalf of Virginia's 10th Congressional District I wish them continued success in the future.

### IN RECOGNITION OF 90 YEARS OF TOLEDO BLADE OWNERSHIP BY THE BLOCK FAMILY

**HON. ROBERT E. LATTA**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 19, 2016*

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, ninety years ago, Paul Block, Sr. took charge of the Toledo Blade and the Block family has led the esteemed daily ever since. The Blade has been an institution of Northwest Ohio since 1835, but the steady guiding hand of the Blocks has led the newspaper to new heights over the past nine decades.

The Toledo Blade has resided at the same location since shortly after Block Sr. purchased the downtown Toledo site in 1927 for \$4.5 million. The day the building opened, Calvin Coolidge pressed a gold key from Washington to start the new presses. Throughout the ups and downs in the city and region, the Blade has been there to report the news and keep its readers informed.

The success of the Blade would not be possible without the support and vision of the Block family. They have led the paper through revolutionary advancements in how the news is reported and distributed. That includes using technology like the Internet and social media to spread the stories of the day.

The current leadership of John Robinson Block as Publisher and Editor-in-Chief of the Blade and Allan Block as Chairman of Block Communications has served the paper well into the 21st century as the daily still boasts a circulation of 120,000 readers. Along with

print editions, readership is at an all-time high with countless others consuming the news through the website, apps, and on other platforms.

Mr. Speaker, ninety years of media leadership from one family is very admirable, and it should be celebrated. I'd like to recognize the Block family for their leadership of a great Ohio institution, the Toledo Blade.

### IN RECOGNITION OF BLUEMONT CONCERT SERIES' 40TH ANNIVERSARY

**HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 19, 2016*

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the Bluemont Concert Series as it proudly celebrates 40 years of providing high-quality concerts and cultural events in localities throughout northwestern and central Virginia. Originally, the organization received its name from its hometown of Bluemont in Loudoun County, Virginia. Since 1976, Bluemont has presented over 9,300 events fostering a sense of community in the Commonwealth through its presentations of art and culture. This extraordinary concert series has entertained audiences of over three million people including schools, health care facilities, assisted living centers, and nursing homes. This is an important milestone for this wonderful organization.

Cultivating a cultural and artistic presence in Virginia's 10th Congressional District is important to the overall health of our community. It is organizations such as the Bluemont Concert Series that allow us to enjoy a broad range of diverse experiences that would be otherwise inaccessible. The mission of Bluemont, providing family-oriented and affordable events, has given residents in Virginia the opportunity to enjoy music, song, poetry, and storytelling. The concert series has presented a wide range of musical genres including bluegrass, Hawaiian swing, folk, jazz, rock and roll, classical flute and Caribbean steel bands; which has helped to strengthen the cultural spirit within our community.

Over the years, Bluemont has reached lives, not only through its concert series, but also through its school programs and its Artists-in-Education initiative. Bluemont's Outreach Program offers quality entertainment at no charge to appreciative audiences in nursing homes and assisted living facilities. Its outstanding work has earned Bluemont many accolades and awards, including the Distinguished Service Award from the Virginia Alliance for Arts Education. The Bluemont Concert Series has provided a valuable service to community and their families.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating the Bluemont Concert Series on 40 years of serving the great Commonwealth of Virginia. I wish Bluemont all the best in its future endeavors.

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## A RECENT ADOPTED RESOLUTION

HON. JOHN J. DUNCAN, JR.

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 19, 2016

Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, on August 9, 2016 I had a conversation with my good friend and Knoxville Attorney James M. Crain.

Mr. Crain and I had the opportunity to discuss the federal edict announcing that every public school in America is to allow students to use whichever bathroom they choose.

During our conversation Mr. Crain discussed a resolution adopted by the West Knoxville/Knox County Republican Club offered by Mr. Crain.

Newscom published an opinion editorial titled, "A Bathroom of One's Own," that is consistent with the adopted resolution.

This article is well reasoned and is consistent with the views of many of the people from my District in East Tennessee.

I think most people are tired of all the publicity on this issue and wish we could get back to a time when sexual preference was kept purely private.

I also believe that the Federal government should have very limited power over the decisions State and local governments make about their schools. This has long been my position.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to call to the attention of my Colleagues and other readers of the RECORD the resolution adopted by the West Knoxville/Knox County Republican Club and the article that ran in *The Weekly Standard* on June 7, 2016.

## A BATHROOM OF ONE'S OWN—NEWSCOM

Two weeks ago the Obama administration issued a federal edict decreeing that every public school in America allow students to use whichever bathroom they choose, under pain of lawsuit and/or loss of federal funding.

Less than a week after that, New York City's Commission on Human Rights issued its own edict, declaring that anyone under the city's rule who refused to use the preferred gender pronouns in dealing with transgender individuals—he, she, "xe," or "hir"—would be guilty of harassment and subject to penalties up to \$125,000 for the first infraction and \$250,000 "for violations that are the result of willful, wanton, or malicious conduct." As law professor Eugene Volokh noted, the use of the term "harassment" is important, because it means that employers and businesses are responsible not just for their own behavior but for the behavior of their employees and customers.

And New York is, if you can imagine it, behind the times. Out in Oregon, Leo Spell, a fifth-grade teacher in the Gresham-Barlow school district, decided she was transgender. (Soell made this decision public only after receiving tenure.) Soell's transition took the form of insisting that she was neither male nor female and demanding that her colleagues refer to her as "they." When other teachers continued to call Soell "she" and "her" and "Miss Soell," Soell filed a harassment complaint. The school district settled with them for \$60,000 and promised to initiate a sweeping set of transgender reforms. To hammer home the power dynamic, the school district claimed, in the statement accompanying the payout, that it was quite "pleased" with the outcome.

If you think that's depressing, it could all ways be worse. In Canada, the minister of

justice recently introduced legislation banning discrimination based on "gender identity" and "gender expression," which could join previous legislation criminalizing anti-trans "hate propaganda." Should the bill pass, you could do up to two years, hard time, if you think the wrong thoughts or say the wrong words.

If this all seems like an inordinate amount of heavy artillery for an infinitesimally tiny issue, that's actually the point. Much as fights in academia are so bitter because the stakes are so small, transgender activists are crushingly authoritarian because the justice of their cause is so uncertain. What the trans project lacks in moral and logical clarity, it hopes to overcome with vehemence and intimidation.

The confusion is abundant. If you tell a transgender activist that gender is determined biologically, through chromosomal composition, they reply, Well, what about people with Klinefelter (XXY) syndrome? But even with Klinefelter's chromosomal anomalies, only a very small proportion of persons will fall into a category of "intersex." As National Review's Celina Durgin points out, arguments about the tiny, tiny sliver of the population who are biologically considered "intersex" actually run counter to transgender ideology, which places "gender identity"—a self-discovered concept—on a separate plane above mere biology. In other words, if being biologically XX is irrelevant to whether or not you are a girl, then why should it matter if you're XXY? Resorting to arguments about the intersexed is actually an admission of the primacy of biology.

Or consider "gender fluidity," another pillar of the transgender project. According to this precept, some people may be one gender on Monday and another on Tuesday. Who can say which is which, or who is when? Not you. The individual is what he/she/they/xe/hir says at any given moment.

And once you've divorced gender from biology and agreed that someone who is chromosomally XY can be a woman, you have no valid reason to object if, the next day, she says she is a man again. If you sign on for transgenderism, you're signing on for gender fluidity, too.

It doesn't stop there, of course. Once you shoot past gender fluidity and the nongendered "theys" like Leo Soell and "pangenders" (who claim to be everything rolled into one), there's a whole other universe of gender identities out there. For instance, "otherkin."

What are "otherkin"? Otherkin is the gender identity of people who believe that they are nonhuman. Last summer Vice.com profiled a fellow who identifies as a fox. Some identify as dogs. Some as lions. Some as dragons. Some otherkin even go through body-modifications to make their physical selves look more like their otherkin identity.

The otherkin aren't official part of the LGBTTTQIAAP alliance yet. But just wait. They're coming. Because to deny them their place at the table—to deny that a human person can be not just an animal, but a creature that does not even exist in the real world—is to put the entire transgender project in jeopardy. Because transgender theory, which posits that the self is infinitely plastic, cannot survive a single limiting precept.

Fortunately, we are not yet fighting over the rights of otherkin unicorns. In the here-and-now, we merely have wars over public bathroom and school locker room accommodations. This may seem like a small-scale concern. The Census Bureau and the New York Times tried to estimate the number of transgendered persons in the United States

last year and came up with a figure somewhere between 21,000 and 90,000. Or, to put it another way, transgenders probably make up between 0.007 percent and 0.029 percent of the American population. When you're dealing with fractions this small, it's hard to be precise.

But because virtue-signaling is the highest form of morality in modern America, the full force of the federal government is being brought to bear on transgender bathroom rights, not only through Obama's federal edict, but through the Obama Justice Department's fight against the state of North Carolina.

In March, the elected officials of North Carolina voted on and passed a piece of legislation, HB-2, which was designed to stop the forced march toward mandating that people must be free to use whatever bathroom they desire. (It is instructive to note that the initiatives pushing the transgender agenda are almost never enacted legislatively; they are often rammed through bureaucracies and commissions or accomplished by executive fiat.)

HB-2 was not a perfect piece of legislation. But the reaction to it was illuminating. The *Charlotte Observer's* editorial board proclaimed, "Yes, the thought of male genitalia in girls' locker rooms—and vice versa—might be distressing to some. But the battle for equality has always been in part about overcoming discomfort . . ."

Which brings us to the final bit of confusion in the transgender project. At the heart of the bathroom issue is a simple question: Is there a valid reason for separate facilities for men and women? Is there any rational justification for having separate bathrooms, or locker rooms, or changing rooms, for men and boys on the one hand, and women and girls on the other?

The trans argument, per the *Charlotte Observer*, is essentially "no." By their logic, if women just need to get over their discomfort at seeing naked men next to them, then there's no reasonable explanation for why women could want their own facilities.

Except that this would mean there is no reasonable explanation for why someone who is transgender should prefer one set of facilities over another. If biologically born women need to "overcome discomfort" about having naked men around them, why shouldn't a biological man who identifies as a woman not similarly have to overcome his discomfort at being around other naked men?

The logical paradox of the transgender bathroom war is that it insists that the type of gender and genitalia in a public facility is completely irrelevant—except to the transgendered, for whom it is of supreme importance.

At the end of the day, if you're not in favor of unisex facilities for all—one bathroom for everyone to use—then the transgender case falls apart. Because the transgender project tacitly admits that there are reasons of privacy, modesty, and prudence for segregating the sexes. It merely wishes to trump these concerns from the vast majority for the special pleading of a small, powerful, and illiberal group.

It is the very definition of the tyranny of the minority.

## RESOLUTION

THE WEST KNOXVILLE/KNOX COUNTY  
REPUBLICAN CLUB

Whereas, Persons who assert a "gender identity" other than their sex are claiming a right to utilize rest room facilities, locker rooms and associated showers with persons of the opposite sex; and

Whereas, No such right has existed in the history of mankind; and

Whereas, Persons—and particularly females—are made extremely uncomfortable by the presence of persons of the opposite sex in such facilities; and

Whereas, There is no way to determine the legitimacy of a claim of “gender identity,” thus opening the door to false claims made to gain entrance to such facilities for immoral and illegal purposes; and

Whereas, Agencies of the Federal Government have exceeded their lawful authority by construing various Acts of Congress as conferring a right to utilize such facilities designated for persons of the opposite sex upon persons claiming a “gender identity” different from their biological sex, to wit:

a. On January 7, 2015, the Department of Energy Office for Civil Rights issued a letter constraining 34 C.F.R. 106.33 (implementing 20 USC 1681(a)) as requiring that transgender students in schools that receive Federal funds must “generally” be allowed to utilize bathrooms and locker rooms assigned to the gender with which they identify. The Court of Appeals for the 4th Circuit, citing deference to administrative construction, has reinstated a suit by a transgender “male” to require her Virginia high school to allow her to use the boys rest room, and

b. The Department of Justice has sent a letter to the Governor of North Carolina, asserting that the provisions of North Carolina H.B. 2 violates the Civil Rights Act of 1964 because it treats Transgender persons differently than non-transgender persons by denying all persons the right to use multi-person facilities assigned to persons of the opposite sex, and

Whereas, the expanded interpretations set out above will require schools, in particular, to require that schoolchildren share toilet, locker and shower facilities with any person of the opposite sex that claims a different “gender identity,” and

Whereas, with particular reference to 20 USC 1681(a), this expanded interpretation of “sex” will have the effect of mandating that transgendered “females” be allowed to try out for and compete in women’s sports and, because of the greater strength and speed potential of biological males, will largely destroy the very women’s sports programs that the provision was designed to foster, and which it has fostered with great success; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved as follows;

1. That the foregoing expansions of these Acts of Congress to create rights never intended or contemplated at the time they were enacted is an unconstitutional exercise of legislative power by the Executive Branch, and must be addressed IMMEDIATELY!

2. That the United States Code must be amended to clarify the erroneous “interpretation” placed on it by the Executive Branch by enacting a statute worded substantially as follows:

As used in this Code, the word “sex” refers only to biological sex unless expressly stated to the contrary. No such reference in this Code either requires or prohibits any particular treatment of transgender individuals unless some particular treatment is expressly stated therein.

3. That since such legislation is certain to be vetoed by our President, the foregoing bill MUST BE PASSED AND PRESENTED TO HIM in a timely manner, so that upon returning it to Congress, ample time for votes to override that veto can be held BEFORE THE ELECTION IN NOVEMBER.

4. That this resolution be forwarded to our Representative and to both of our Senators, with the notation that failure to vigorously pursue the passage of the above statute will be construed by the Club as your agreement with these unconstitutional actions by the Executive Branch.

5. The undersigned officers of the West Knoxville/Knox County Republican Club execute this resolution in their capacities as officers only, and that the undersigned represent that this Resolution was passed without opposition by the voting members present at the June 13, 2016 meeting of the club.

Resolved by the Club this the 13th day of June, 2016

GARY LOE,  
Vice President.  
PAUL E. WEHMEIER,  
President.

CONGRATULATING THE LCHS ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2016

## HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 19, 2016

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the following coaches, contributors, and athletes for being selected to the Loudoun County High School Athletic Hall of Fame Class of 2016. Pat McManus, Alan Smith, Dr. Robert K. Belote, James M. “Jimmy” Kidwell, Reginal “Reggie” Evans, Susan Moxley, David DiMillio, Kristen DiMillio, Kevin Grigsby, Joanna Penn, Shari Mayr, Derrick Ellison, and Marie Bolton were all named to the LCHS Hall of Fame. These individuals have earned this honor through their passion and commitment to athletics.

These outstanding men and women’s hard work, perseverance, and athletic excellence are exemplified in their receipt of this honor. Coming from a family of educators, I understand not only how important a strong education is to the future of our country, but also the need for athletic competition to form a well-rounded member of society. We need to encourage more people to imitate these individuals who have worked so hard to accomplishing this incredible goal.

Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to highlight the importance of this achievement and what it represents for these men and women. I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating them on being inducted into the Loudoun County High School Athletic Hall of Fame Class of 2016. I wish them all the best in their future endeavors.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
COST ESTIMATE FOR H.R. 4487

## HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 19, 2016

Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, in accordance with House Report 114–589, Part 1, I submit the following Congressional Budget Cost Estimate for H.R. 4487.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,  
U.S. CONGRESS,  
Washington, DC, July 5, 2016.

Hon. BILL SHUSTER,  
Chairman, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The Congressional Budget Office has prepared the enclosed cost estimate for H.R. 4487, the Public Buildings Reform and Savings Act of 2016.

If you wish further details on this estimate, we will be pleased to provide them. The CBO staff contact is Matthew Pickford.

Sincerely,

KEITH HALL.

Enclosure.

H.R. 4487—Public Buildings Reform and Savings Act of 2016

H.R. 4487 would amend federal law to provide new authorities to the General Services Administration (GSA) and the Department of Homeland Security’s Federal Protective Service (FPS) to manage federal real estate assets and security at those facilities. The act also would require GSA to prepare a number of reports for the Congress and the Government Accountability Office (GAO) to complete an audit of GSA’s national broker contract. Finally, the legislation would require that lactation rooms be available in all federal buildings that are open to the public.

Based on information from GSA and the FPS, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 4487 would cost \$3 million over the 2017–2021 period, mostly for GSA to prepare reports on a variety of subjects, including a comparison of the cost of owning or leasing space, an explanation of why the costs of construction projects exceed their initial estimates, a review of current rental rates, and an analysis of the use of refrigerants in equipment installed in federal buildings. CBO also estimates that it would cost GAO less than \$500,000 annually to prepare the required audit. Based on information from GSA, CBO estimates that the act’s requirements to establish lactation rooms in federal buildings would have an insignificant cost because it would apply only to federal buildings that are open to the public and that have lactation rooms designated for use by federal employees. Finally, CBO estimates that providing the FPS with additional law enforcement authorities would not have a significant cost.

Enacting the legislation would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply. CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 4487 would not increase direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2027.

CBO also reviewed provisions of the legislation that would require GSA to build a new headquarters for the Department of Energy (DOE), to be financed by exchanging or selling DOE’s current headquarters in the Forrestal Building Complex in Washington, D.C. Based on information from GSA and property developers, CBO expects that constructing a new DOE headquarters could not be accomplished solely through a sale or exchange of the current facility, and would require the expenditure of additional appropriated funds, which are not authorized by this act. Under H.R. 4487, if a new headquarters facility could not be built, GSA would be directed to sell any underutilized or vacant property in the Forrestal Complex. Based on information from GSA, CBO does not expect that enacting the bill would result in more sales than would otherwise occur under current law.

H.R. 4487 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Matthew Pickford. The estimate was approved by H. Samuel Papenfuss, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.

IN RECOGNITION OF LOUDOUN INTERFAITH RELIEF'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY

**HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 19, 2016*

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to acknowledge the 25th anniversary of Loudoun Interfaith Relief, Loudoun County, Virginia's largest food pantry, and their steadfast service to the good citizens of the Loudoun community. I would like to personally commend the volunteers who so selflessly dedicate themselves to providing support to those less fortunate without asking anything in return. These notable citizens truly embody the very best of our nation's values through their service to the community and commitment to the betterment of others' lives.

Loudoun Interfaith Relief has increased their service exponentially since it began. In 1991, LIR provided 50,000 pounds of food over 4,800 pantry visits. In 2016, LIR served 11,000 individuals in 73,000 visits with 1.2 million pounds of food. The pantry is now open six days a week and has over 320 volunteers working to provide services to those in need. This growth is a clear testament to the outstanding dedication to service conducted by the staff and volunteers at Loudoun Interfaith Relief.

Mr. Speaker, it brings me immense pride to recognize such a fine organization, and I sincerely hope that we all can live up to their tremendous example. I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Loudoun Interfaith Relief. I wish them all the best and hope that they continue to be a positive example of service to the community.

TRIBUTE TO THE KOCH FAMILY FARM IN PUEBLO COUNTY, COLORADO

**HON. SCOTT R. TIPTON**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 19, 2016*

Mr. TIPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Koch Farm, located in Pueblo County, Colorado. Last month, the Koch Farm was honored by the Colorado Department of Agriculture and History for its 102 years of contributions to Colorado's agriculture economy, and its deep family roots in the community.

The Koch Farm was founded in 1914 at the beginning of World War I. It survived the dust bowl of the 1930s, fluctuating crop prices, and many other harsh conditions that have devastated other Colorado farms over the past decade. As a family, the Kochs were able to persevere, keeping their family's traditions and the farm alive. It's through the hard work and determination of family members like John and Conrad Wyss, the founders of the farm; Mark Koch, the current operator of the farm, and his siblings; and their father, John Koch, who passed away earlier this year, that this farm continues to thrive today.

Mr. Speaker, I am immensely proud of the family tradition and determination that the Koch Family Farm embodies. I congratulate the Koch Family Farm for receiving the distinct

honor of being designated as a part of the Colorado Department of Agriculture and History homestead collection. The Koch family truly deserves this honor.

HONORING THE LIFE OF OFFICER MIKE BRUNSON

**HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 19, 2016*

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of my constituent, Officer Michael "Mike" Todd Brunson, a master police officer in the Winchester Police Department. Officer Brunson passed away on September 11th, 2016 at the age of 48. He will be sorely missed by his family, his fellow officers, and his entire community.

Mike Brunson was sworn into the Winchester Police Department on February 10, 1995 and was promoted to the position of Master Police Officer in September of 2006. Officer Brunson was a respected and well known member of our community. In addition to protecting his neighbors, Mike helped found his department's community policing unit, and even served as a counselor at the Kids and Cops Camp. Officer Brunson was a member of the SWAT Team, a firearms instructor and field training officer. He also received a Meritorious Action Award and a Valor Award in 2014 for risking his life to enter a burning home in search for a 2 year old boy.

Winchester Police Chief Kevin Sanzenbacher in his statement said that Mike "was a great person, a great father, grandfather, husband, son and friend. He will be truly missed." Lt. J. Cornwell of the Frederick County Sheriffs Office had Officer Brunson as his first field training officer and said "he was a very courteous and nice man who was always willing to pass on information that he had" and that it was a "shame to lose him, especially at that young age." Officer Mike Brunson is survived by his mother, Carol D. Rockwell, his wife, Kimberly Brunson; his daughter Elizabeth Thurman and her husband Jesse, his daughter Katherine Brunson; a step-daughter, Eve Neal, and step-son, Stephen Neal-Crowe; as well as his two grandchildren Ryleigh Grace and Oliver James Thurman.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in celebrating the life of Officer Michael "Mike" Todd Brunson. May he rest in peace, and his family be comforted.

HONORING BOB MCFADDEN IN THE DALLES, OREGON

**HON. GREG WALDEN**

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 19, 2016*

Mr. WALDEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize my good friend Bob McFadden for his many years of dedicated public service to the Port of The Dalles. Bob has retired after serving 11 years as commissioner and the last two years as President for the Port of The Dalles, and I would like to pay tribute to his leadership for the people of The Dalles.

Bob was born near Mollala, Oregon and graduated from Portland's Parkrose High School. Following graduation, Bob studied culinary arts and the hospitality industry at the Horst Mager Culinary Institute before beginning a career in culinary work and hotel management for Holiday Inn in the Portland area. During his tenure with the hotel industry, he met a fellow Parkrose High graduate, Kris, who would become his wife of 42 years. They would go on together to work in the Houston, Texas area before receiving an offer to manage a hotel in The Dalles and so the two moved their new family to The Dalles in 1982.

After arriving in The Dalles, Bob began his real estate career as well as his time as an Oregon athletics official for high school football and basketball. His career as a referee in the Mid-Columbia region also included service as basketball and football commissioner and the peer awarded State Football Referee of the Year.

Being a family man with a business to operate is a difficult and time consuming role in itself. In addition to being a great father, successful realtor, and a reliable referee for the region's student athletes, Bob found even more time to give to his community in a number of roles including membership and presidency of The Dalles Rotary and Lions Clubs, serving on the Mid-Columbia Fire and Rescue Board, North Wasco County School District Budget Committee, and a term on The Dalles City Council. Bob and Kris also helped establish the long time sister city program with Miyoshi City, Japan that regularly sends citizens abroad and brings citizens of Miyoshi City to The Dalles to better promote understanding and exchange in the global community.

Bob's service with The Port of The Dalles began in 2003, where he served as commissioner until 2014 when he was elected President, a position he held until his retirement at the end of June. During his term, he has been an integral part of the economic driver that is The Port of The Dalles. Despite the progressive loss of major job creators over the years, The Port commission has managed to work with the community to create fruitful ideas to bring new jobs into the area. As a member of the Port's Community Outreach Team, I knew I could count on Bob to provide valuable insight in crafting solutions to the issues facing The Dalles and Wasco County.

As Bob begins his transition into retirement, I know he and Kris will look forward to more time together.

Mr. Speaker and my colleagues, please join me in recognizing and thanking my good friend, Bob McFadden for his many years of leadership and service to The Dalles.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 2016 BREAST FRIENDS EVENT

**HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 19, 2016*

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize the important work done by Ms. Nicole Clark for hosting the 2016 Breast Friends event at Harmony Middle School in Virginia's Tenth Congressional District. Nicole has worked on hosting these events since

2013, when she first started them with her “breast friend” Michelle Batt. The success of these events has helped raise awareness and spread knowledge on the subject of breast cancer. Their hard work exemplifies the caring attitude of Loudoun County’s residents.

The 2016 Breast Friend event will entail discussion with a panel of doctors who are working in fields related to breast cancer, as well as Ms. Clark’s own story about her experience with breast cancer. The overall mission of Ms. Clark and the Breast Friends team is to provide support to a community of women suffering from breast cancer.

I believe that it is important to continue working to help defeat breast cancer; while also supporting those organizations and programs such as Breast Friends that do so much for those already suffering from this disease. These events serve a vital role in the continued education of our community about diseases such as breast cancer, and in the creation of support networks for those affected by it.

It is my hope that this event will endure into the future and continue this legacy of community support and awareness. I thank and commend everyone involved in the 2016 Breast Friends event. Their caring spirit will result in critically important issues being discussed to a greater degree in our society.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join in recognizing Ms. Nicole Clark of Loudoun County for her work as host of the 2016 Breast Friends event in Hamilton, Virginia. Although Michelle Batt will not be in the country for this year’s event, she will continue to be an integral part of the important work done by the Breast Friends in our great Commonwealth. I commend both Nicole and Michelle for their continued dedication to supporting those suffering from breast cancer. I wish them all the best in their future endeavors.

REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF MRS.  
BRENDA FAYE YOUNG RUSSELL

**HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 19, 2016*

Mr. HASTINGS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and legacy of Mrs. Brenda Faye Young Russell, who sadly passed away on Saturday, March 12, 2016.

Brenda attended North Carolina A&T State University and received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Economics and Business Administration in 1969. After receiving her degree, she embarked upon a career in business by securing a position as an economist at The Rouse Company in Columbia, Maryland. In 1975, Brenda married Mr. Daniel Russell, who was also employed by the Company.

Later in her career, Mrs. Russell worked as a merchandising manager and developed several retail businesses through Maryland. Ultimately, she created Russell-Turcot and Company, a real estate development and consulting firm. Her talents and expertise surpassed the retail and consulting industries, and extended to community leadership. Mrs. Russell served her community by assuming the position of Acting President for the Washington Urban League.

In recognition of her outstanding contributions to small business and society, Mrs. Rus-

sell was honored by the Metropolitan Democratic Women’s Club and received the Mayor Marion Barry Award for “Exemplary Business Achievement” in the retail industry in 1983. Indeed, the Washington Post described Mrs. Brenda Russell as “the walking embodiment of a successful retailer.”

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to pay my respects to Brenda and her family. She is survived by her husband, Daniel Russell; her daughter, Doni Kristen; and many others who grew to love and cherish her. I offer my deepest condolences to Brenda’s family. Her spirit, loving memory, and legacy will always live on.

IN HONOR OF THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE COMMITTEE FOR DULLES

**HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 19, 2016*

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I would like to honor the 50th anniversary of the Committee for Dulles (CFD). Established in 1966, the CFD has worked tirelessly to help Washington Dulles International Airport and the economic growth of its region.

The hard work done by the men and women of the Committee for Dulles has helped to make excellent opportunities available to many of my constituents and ensure the growth of the Washington Dulles International Airport corridor.

Home to some of our nation’s largest and most successful companies, the CFD has worked tirelessly to secure the necessary infrastructure to maintain these economic staples in place, all while providing a better quality of life for the residents of Dulles. The close collaboration of the constituents of Virginia’s 10th Congressional District is crucial to bringing continued prosperity to the region.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join in recognizing the 50th anniversary of the Committee for Dulles and thanking them for the hard work they do to help stimulate economic growth in the entire region. I know the Committee for Dulles will continue to provide excellent opportunities for the area in the future, and I wish them all the best.

CELEBRATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF EL PASO HIGH SCHOOL

**HON. BETO O’ROURKE**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 19, 2016*

Mr. O’ROURKE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and celebrate the 100th Anniversary of El Paso High School (EPHS).

September 18, 2016 marks the 100th anniversary of El Paso’s oldest operating high school, El Paso High. During these 100 years, the “Lady on the Hill” has played an influential role in defining the best of our community and country.

El Paso High has a long and proud history of service. In the early 1900’s El Paso High School’s first Texas Cadet Guard became one of the first Junior Reserve Officers Training

Corps (JROTC) in the United States. She has prepared notable officers like William D. Hawkins, an El Paso High JROTC alumnus and Medal of Honor recipient of the U.S. Marine Corps, after whom the U.S.S. *Hawkins* was named. In 1925, an airfield on the U.S. Army’s installation at Fort Bliss was named after James Buster Biggs, another EPHS graduate who was killed in a plane crash at Beltran, France in 1918.

El Paso High School also represents the best of our country’s connection with the rest of the hemisphere. Located just three miles from the U.S.-Mexico border, EPHS is 93 percent Hispanic, and has implemented a nationally recognized Dual Language Gifted and Talented Program. Also known as *Mundos Unidos*, or *Connecting Worlds*, the unique program was awarded the multi-million dollar Jacob K. Javits Grant from the U.S. Department of Education. The program has helped EPHS graduates to receive top scholarships at the top universities.

Innovation and creativity flourish here. F. Murray Abraham, a 1958 graduate, began his acting career at El Paso High School. His talent won him a drama scholarship to the Texas Western College, and later an Academy Award for Best Actor in the film *Amadeus*. Jim Ward and Cedric Bixler-Zavala, best known for their collaboration in the groundbreaking band *At the Drive-In*, are both proud Tigers.

Another accomplished El Paso High graduate, Tom Lea, moved the nation through his art, writing, and war-time correspondence. Lea brought the Southwestern region to life in his famous murals that can be found in public buildings from Washington, D.C. to Dallas, Texas. Mr. Lea also worked as an eyewitness correspondent for *Life Magazine*, where he traveled more than 100,000 miles to record the experiences of U.S. and Allied officers in World War II. He wrote and illustrated *The Brave Bulls* and *The Wonderful Country*, which were later adapted into Hollywood movies.

Ruben Salazar, a pioneer journalist during the 1960’s Chicano movement, was the first Mexican-American to cover the Chicano community in mainstream media. His news coverage included police discrimination against Mexican-Americans, Chicano protests, and the relations between Chicanos and African Americans. On August 29, 1970, Salazar covered the Chicano Moratorium anti-war protest in East Los Angeles, the largest Mexican-American rally in U.S. history. Sheriff’s deputies and officers wielded clubs and fired tear gas at protestors in the area, hitting and instantly killing Salazar. His unfortunate death and fearless character has made him a civil rights leader for our country. Abraham, Lea, and Salazar are among the many high-skilled, gifted minds El Paso High has produced. Our city’s oldest high school has exceptionally prepared some of our nation’s best visionaries.

The beauty of El Paso High School lies not only within its students, but with its architecture as well. In 1980, El Paso High became an official historic landmark in the National Register of Historic Places. Its unique Greco-Roman architecture was inspired by the Portico of Octavia in Rome, Italy. Henry Trost, the chief architect, designed the school and some of the most unique buildings in the Southwest.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to rise with me to honor El Paso High School and the extraordinary work they have

done these last 100 years with our students and community. Viva la High.

IN HONOR OF THE COMMEMORATION OF THE 1861 BATTLE OF DRANESVILLE

**HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 19, 2016*

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I would like to honor the Commemoration of the 1861 Battle of Dranesville on Saturday, September 24th. The battle marked the first time Union forces defeated the Confederacy in the eastern theatre.

On December 20th, 1861, Brigadier General Edward Ord, leading the Union forces, engaged the Confederate army under the command of Brigadier General J.E.B. Stuart at the village of Dranesville, Virginia. The Union force of 5,000 men was attacked by 4,000 Confederate soldiers along the Leesburg Pike. Due to their superior position, Union artillery was able to out-duel their Confederate counterparts while the infantry forces squared off. After two hours of fighting, the Confederate army retreated from the field. The Union victory provided a much needed morale boost during America's most deadly war.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the Commemoration of the 1861 Battle of Dranesville. We must always remember and honor those who sacrificed their lives to preserve our nation.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. FRANK C. GUINTA**

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 19, 2016*

Mr. GUINTA. Mr. Speaker, on Roll Call Vote Number 492–504, I am not recorded because I was absent from the U.S. House of Representatives. Had I been present, I would have voted in the following manner.

On Roll Call Number 505 had I been present, I would have voted YES.

On Roll Call Number 506 had I been present, I would have voted YES.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE FRIENDS OF THE CLAUDE MOORE COLONIAL FARM AT TURKEY RUN

**HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 19, 2016*

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize The Friends of the Claude Moore Colonial Farm at Turkey Run in Fairfax County, Virginia for their support of this educational farm throughout the years. This society has been integral in the continued operations of this park site, which serves as a historical reference to colonial farm life for the citizens of Fairfax County and for visitors from around the country.

The Friends of the Claude Moore Colonial Farm at Turkey Run hosts their annual Okto-

berfest fundraising event, which has live entertainment and a myriad of other activities. The Claude Moore Colonial Farm at Turkey Run has been open for over 40 years, and has been the only privately funded and operated park in the National Park System for the past 35 years. This park site offers many learning experiences for its visitors to be immersed in the authentic methods of colonial agriculture.

Agriculture continues to be a vital force in my district as well as the nation as a whole, and I would like to applaud this group's dedication to maintaining an establishment that celebrates our nation's farming heritage. The Claude Moore Colonial Farm at Turkey Run is a wonderful destination for many students and young people to learn about our country's history and develop a greater appreciation for those men and woman who laid the foundation of the United States of America.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing The Friends of the Claude Moore Colonial Farm at Turkey Run for their valuable efforts to preserve one of our nation's great parks. I wish them all the best at their upcoming Oktoberfest event and in their future endeavors.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. BRUCE WESTERMAN**

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 19, 2016*

Mr. WESTERMAN. Mr. Speaker, on roll call no. 508, I was at a meeting off Capitol Hill, and did not make it to the House Chamber in time to vote. Had I been present, I would have voted AYE.

IN HONOR OF THE 5TH ANNIVERSARY OF SPROUT THERAPEUTIC RIDING AND EDUCATION CENTER

**HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 19, 2016*

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I would like to honor the 5th anniversary of Sprout Therapeutic Riding and Education Center in Aldie, Virginia. The center provides equine assisted activities and therapies for those seeking opportunities for personal growth.

With seven horses and a dedicated staff, the center seeks to raise awareness about special needs while providing a dynamic environment for participants to learn and socialize. Their riding lessons focus on gaining riding skills, increasing physical strength, and achieving the rider's desired social, emotional, and life skills. Their work is an inspiration and I am proud to have such a wonderful organization in the Virginia's 10th Congressional District.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join in recognizing the 5th anniversary of Sprout Therapeutic Riding and Education Center and thanking all those who provide comfort and support to our neighbors in need. I know the center will continue to provide excellent opportunities for any who wish to partake. I wish them all the best in their future endeavors.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, September 20, 2016 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

SEPTEMBER 21

10 a.m.

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

To hold hearings to examine the Department of Agriculture and the current state of the farm economy.

SR-328A

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Business meeting to consider S. 3346, to authorize the programs of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, S. 3183, to prohibit the circumvention of control measures used by Internet ticket sellers to ensure equitable consumer access to tickets for any given event, S. 3097, to establish the SelectUSA program, S. 1788, to require operators that provide online and similar services to educational agencies, institutions, or programs to protect the privacy and security of personally identifiable information, H.R. 4755, to inspire women to enter the aerospace field, including science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, through mentorship and outreach, and H.R. 4742, to authorize the National Science Foundation to support entrepreneurial programs for women.

SR-253

Committee on Finance

Business meeting to consider an original bill entitled, "Miner's Protection Act of 2016", and an original bill entitled, "Retirement and Enhancement Savings Act of 2016".

SD-215

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations

To hold hearings to examine combatting the opioid epidemic, focusing on a review of anti-abuse efforts by Federal authorities and private insurers.

SD-342

10:30 a.m.

Committee on Appropriations

Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies

To hold hearings to examine the possible conversion of public housing and other

project-based rental assistance to Section 8 vouchers, as well as administrative changes to the Section 8 voucher program, in order to improve the delivery of rental assistance to vulnerable families and individuals.

SD-192

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Subcommittee on National Security and International Trade and Finance

To hold hearings to examine terror financing risks of America's \$1.7 billion cash payments to Iran.

SD-538

1 p.m.

Select Committee on Intelligence

To receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters.

SH-219

2 p.m.

Committee on Indian Affairs

Business meeting to consider S. 2953, to promote patient-centered care and accountability at the Indian Health Service, S. 3234, to amend the Native American Business Development, Trade Promotion, and Tourism Act of 2000, the Buy Indian Act, the Indian Trader Act, and the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to provide industry and economic development opportunities to Indian communities, and S. 3261, to establish a business incubators program within the Department of the Interior to promote economic development in Indian reservation communities.

SD-628

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Appropriations

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies

To hold hearings to examine prioritizing public health, focusing on the Food and Drug Administration's role in the generic drug marketplace.

SD-192

Committee on Environment and Public Works

Subcommittee on Fisheries, Water, and Wildlife

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the proposed revisions to the Fish and Wildlife Service mitigation policy.

SD-406

Committee on the Judiciary

Subcommittee on Immigration and the National Interest

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Administration's fiscal year 2017 refugee resettlement program.

SD-226

## SEPTEMBER 22

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine United States national security challenges and ongoing military operations.

SD-G50

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine S. 346, to withdraw certain land located in Curry County and Josephine County, Oregon,

from all forms of entry, appropriation, or disposal under the public land laws, location, entry, and patent under the mining laws, and operation under the mineral leasing and geothermal leasing laws, S. 437, to provide for congressional approval of national monuments and restrictions on the use of national monuments, to establish requirements for the declaration of marine national monuments, S. 1416, to amend title 54, United States Code, to limit the authority to reserve water rights in designating a national monument, S. 2056, to provide for the establishment of the National Volcano Early Warning and Monitoring System, S. 2380, to require the Secretary of the Interior to establish a pilot program for commercial recreation concessions on certain land managed by the Bureau of Land Management, S. 2681, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to retire coal preference right lease applications for which the Secretary has made an affirmative commercial quantities determination, to substitute certain land selections of the Navajo Nation, to designate certain wilderness areas, S. 2991, to withdraw certain land in Okanogan County, Washington, to protect the land, S. 3049, to designate the Organ Mountains and other public land as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System in the State of New Mexico, S. 3102, to promote conservation, improve public land management, and provide for sensible development in Pershing County, Nevada, S. 3167, to establish the Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area, S. 3192, to designate a mountain peak in the State of Montana as "Alex Diekmann Peak", S. 3203, to provide for economic development and access to resources in Alaska, S. 3204, to provide for the exchange of Federal land and non-Federal land in the State of Alaska for the construction of a road between King Cove and Cold Bay, S. 3254, to provide for a land exchange involving certain National Forest System land in the State of South Dakota, S. 3273, to make technical corrections to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, S. 3312, to extend the authorization of the Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act of 1978 relating to the disposal site in Mesa County, Colorado, S. 3315, to authorize the modification or augmentation of the Second Division Memorial, S. 3316, to maximize land management efficiencies, promote land conservation, generate education funding, S. 3317, to prohibit the further extension or establishment of national monuments in the State of Utah except by express authorization of Congress, H.R. 1838, to establish the Clear Creek National Recreation Area in San Benito and Fresno Counties, California, to designate the Joaquin Rocks Wilderness in such counties, and H.R. 2009, to provide for the conveyance of certain land inholdings owned by the United States to the Tucson Unified School District

and to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona.

SD-366

10 a.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation, and Community Development

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Housing and Urban Development inspection process.

SD-538

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine exploring current practices in cosmetic development and safety.

SD-430

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine exploring a right to try for terminally ill patients.

SD-342

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe

To hold hearings to examine atrocities in Iraq and Syria, focusing on relief for survivors and accountability for perpetrators.

RHOB-2200

2 p.m.

Select Committee on Intelligence

To receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters.

SH-219

3 p.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management

To hold hearings to examine agency regulatory guidance.

SD-342

4 p.m.

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe

To receive a briefing on Moldova at a crossroads.

RHOB-2456

## POSTPONEMENTS

## SEPTEMBER 21

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Business meeting to consider S. 2873, to require studies and reports examining the use of, and opportunities to use, technology-enabled collaborative learning and capacity building models to improve programs of the Department of Health and Human Services, S. 2932, to amend the Controlled Substances Act with respect to the provision of emergency medical services, an original bill entitled, "Career and Technical Education Act of 2016", and the nominations of Thomas G. Kotarac, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Railroad Retirement Board, and Constance Smith Barker, of Alabama, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

SD-430



**CORRECTION**

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S5871—S5889*

**Measures Introduced:** Two bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3351–3352, and S. Res. 570–571. **Page S5886**

#### Measures Reported:

H.R. 2647, To expedite under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and improve forest management activities on National Forest System lands, on public lands under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, and on tribal lands to return resilience to overgrown, fire-prone forested lands, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S5886**

#### Measures Passed:

*Department of Veterans Affairs Expiring Authorities Act:* By a unanimous vote of 89 yeas (Vote No. 143), Senate passed H.R. 5985, to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain expiring provisions of law administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs. **Pages S5876–78**

*Veterans Care Agreement and West Los Angeles Leasing Act:* Senate passed H.R. 5936, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into certain leases at the Department of Veterans Affairs West Los Angeles Campus in Los Angeles, California, to make certain improvements to the enhanced-use lease authority of the Department. **Page S5888**

*Korean War Veterans Memorial Wall of Remembrance Act:* Senate passed H.R. 1475, to authorize a Wall of Remembrance as part of the Korean War Veterans Memorial and to allow certain private contributions to fund that Wall of Remembrance, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S5888**

#### Measures Considered:

**Legislative Branch Appropriations Act—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 5325, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017. **Page S5873**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding rule XXII, the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill ripen at 2:15 p.m., on Tuesday, September 20, 2016. **Page S5889**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, September 20, 2016. **Page S5889**

#### Appointments:

*John F. Kennedy Centennial Commission:* The Chair announced, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 114–215, the appointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the John F. Kennedy Centennial Commission: Senator Markey. **Page S5889**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Markos Kounalakis, of California, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2017.

Gail O'Connor Mellow, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2022.

Dana A. Williams, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2022.

Claudia Slacik, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2019.

Tina S. Kaidanow, of Maryland, a career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Political-Military Affairs).

Justin H. Siberell, of Maryland, to be Coordinator for Counterterrorism, with the rank and status of Ambassador at Large.

Elizabeth A. Field, of the District of Columbia, to be Inspector General, Office of Personnel Management. **Page S5889**

**Measures Placed on the Calendar:** **Page S5881**

**Executive Communications:** **Pages S5881–86**

Petitions and Memorials: **Page S5886**  
 Additional Cosponsors: **Pages S5886–88**  
 Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions: **Page S5888**  
 Additional Statements: **Page S5880**  
 Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Page S5888**  
 Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—143) **Page S5878**  
 Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:29 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, September 20, 2016. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5889.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### NORTH KOREA

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee received a closed briefing on assessing the recent North Korea nuclear event, missile tests, and regional dynamics from Jesse Karotkin, Deputy National Intelligence Manager for East Asia, and Scott Woods, Deputy National Intelligence Officer for Weapons of Mass Destruction, both of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 2 public bills, H.R. 6066–6067 were introduced. **Page H5644**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H5644**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed on September 16, 2016 as follows:

H.R. 5719, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the tax treatment of certain equity grants, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–748); and

H.R. 3957, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to temporarily allow expensing of certain costs of replanting citrus plants lost by reason of casualty, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–749).

Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4564, to redesignate the small triangular property located in Washington, DC, and designated by the National Park Service as reservation 302 as “Robert Emmet Park”, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–750);

H.R. 5659, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to expanding Medicare Advantage coverage for individuals with end-stage renal disease (ESRD), with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–751, Part 1);

H.R. 1309, to amend the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act to specify when bank holding companies may be subject to certain enhanced supervision, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–752);

H.R. 5977, to direct the Secretary of Transportation to provide to the appropriate committees of

Congress advance notice of certain announcements, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–753);

H.R. 5859, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the major metropolitan area counterterrorism training and exercise grant program, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–754);

H.R. 5346, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to make the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security for Health Affairs responsible for coordinating the efforts of the Department of Homeland Security related to food, agriculture, and veterinary defense against terrorism, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–755, Part 1);

H.R. 5459, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to enhance preparedness and response capabilities for cyber attacks, bolster the dissemination of homeland security information related to cyber threats, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–756);

H.R. 2319, to amend title 44, United States Code, to require preservation of certain electronic records by Federal agencies, to require a certification and reports relating to Presidential records, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–757);

H.R. 5690, to ensure the Government Accountability Office has adequate access to information (H. Rept. 114–758);

H.R. 5709, to improve Federal employee compliance with Federal and Presidential recordkeeping requirements, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–759);

H.R. 5687, to eliminate or modify certain mandates of the Government Accountability Office (H. Rept. 114–760, Part 1); and

H.R. 2285, to improve enforcement against trafficking in cultural property and prevent stolen or illicit cultural property from financing terrorist and criminal networks, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–380, Part 2). **Pages H5643–44**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Holding to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H5527**

**Guest Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Reverend Michael Wilker, Church of the Reformation, Washington, DC. **Page H5527**

**Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure—Communication:** Read a letter from Chairman Shuster wherein he transmitted copies of resolutions to authorize 16 lease prospectuses and four construction projects, included in the General Services Administration's Capital Investment and Leasing Programs. The resolutions were adopted by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure on September 14, 2016. **Page H5527**

**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on page H5642.

**Senate Referrals:** S. 2754 was held at the desk. S. 2848 was held at the desk. **Page H5642**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2016

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

**Committee on Armed Services:** to hold hearings to examine the nomination of General John E. Hyten, USAF, for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, United States Strategic Command, Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

**Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:** to hold hearings to examine Wells Fargo's unauthorized accounts and the regulatory response, 10 a.m., SD–538.

**Committee on Foreign Relations:** business meeting to consider the nominations of Christopher Coons, of Delaware, and Ronald H. Johnson, of Wisconsin, both to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Seventy-first Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations, and Sung Y. Kim, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Philippines, Rena Bitter, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Kamala Shirin Lakhdir, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to Malaysia, and a routine list in the Foreign Service, all of the Department of State, Time to be announced, S–216, Capitol.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of W. Stuart Symington, of Missouri, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Andrew Robert Young, of California, to be Ambassador to Burkina Faso, and Joseph R. Donovan Jr., of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Indonesia, all of the Department of State, 10 a.m., SD–419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine South Sudan, focusing on options in crisis, 2:45 p.m., SD–419.

**Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:** to hold hearings to examine laboratory testing in the era of precision medicine, 10 a.m., SD–430.

**Committee on the Judiciary:** to hold hearings to examine consolidation and competition in the United States seed and agrochemical industry, 10 a.m., SD–226.

**Select Committee on Intelligence:** to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 11:30 a.m., SH–219.

Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

#### House

**Committee on Energy and Commerce,** Full Committee, markup on H.R. 2566, the "Improving Rural Call Quality and Reliability Act of 2016"; H.R. 2669, the "Anti-Spoofing Act of 2016"; H.R. 1192, the "National Diabetes Clinical Care Commission Act"; H.R. 1209, the "Improving Access to Maternity Care Act"; H.R. 1877, the "Mental Health First Aid Act of 2015"; H.R. 2713, the "Title VIII Nursing Workforce Reauthorization Act of 2015"; H.R. 3537, the "Synthetic Drug Control Act of 2015"; and H.R. 4365, the "Protecting Patient Access to Emergency Medications Act of 2016", 5 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

**Committee on Oversight and Government Reform,** Full Committee, hearing entitled "Classifications and Redactions in FBI's Investigative File" (continued), 5 p.m., HVC–210.

**Committee on Rules,** Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 3438, the "REVIEW Act of 2016"; H.R. 5461, the "Iranian Leadership Asset Transparency Act"; H.R. 5719, the "Empowering Employees through Stock Ownership Act", 5 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

**Committee on Veterans' Affairs,** Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "VA Procurement: Identifying Obstacles to Reform", 4 p.m., 334 Cannon.

## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of September 20 through September 23,  
2016

### Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, at approximately 10 a.m., Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 5325, Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at 2:15 p.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

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*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* September 21, business meeting to consider S. 3346, to authorize the programs of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, S. 3183, to prohibit the cir-

cumvention of control measures used by Internet ticket sellers to ensure equitable consumer access to tickets for any given event, S. 3097, to establish the SelectUSA program, S. 1788, to require operators that provide online and similar services to educational agencies, institutions, or programs to protect the privacy and security of personally identifiable information, H.R. 4755, to inspire women to enter the aerospace field, including science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, through mentorship and outreach, and H.R. 4742, to authorize the National Science Foundation to support entrepreneurial programs for women, 10 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* September 22, to hold hearings to examine S. 346, to withdraw certain land located in Curry County and Josephine County, Oregon, from all forms of entry, appropriation, or disposal under the public land laws, location, entry, and patent under the mining laws, and operation under the mineral leasing and geothermal leasing laws, S. 437, to provide for congressional approval of national monuments and restrictions on the use of national monuments, to establish requirements for the declaration of marine national monuments, S. 1416, to amend title 54, United States Code, to limit the authority to reserve water rights in designating a national monument, S. 2056, to provide for the establishment of the National Volcano Early Warning and Monitoring System, S. 2380, to require the Secretary of the Interior to establish a pilot program for commercial recreation concessions on certain land managed by the Bureau of Land Management, S. 2681, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to retire coal preference right lease applications for which the Secretary has made an affirmative commercial quantities determination, to substitute certain land selections of the Navajo Nation, to designate certain wilderness areas, S. 2991, to withdraw certain land in Okanogan County, Washington, to protect the land, S. 3049, to designate the Organ Mountains and other public land as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System in the State of New Mexico, S. 3102, to promote conservation, improve public land management, and provide for sensible development in Pershing County, Nevada, S. 3167, to establish the Appalachian Forest National Heritage Area, S. 3192, to designate a mountain peak in the State of Montana as "Alex Diekmann Peak", S. 3203, to provide for economic development and access to resources in Alaska, S. 3204, to provide for the exchange of Federal land and non-Federal land in the State of Alaska for the construction of a road between King Cove and Cold Bay, S. 3254, to provide for a land exchange involving certain National Forest System land in the State of South Dakota, S. 3273, to make technical corrections to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, S. 3312, to extend the authorization of the Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act of 1978 relating to the disposal site in Mesa County, Colorado, S. 3315, to authorize the modification or augmentation of the Second Division Memorial, S. 3316, to maximize land management efficiencies, promote land conservation, generate education funding, S. 3317, to prohibit the further extension or establishment of national

monuments in the State of Utah except by express authorization of Congress, H.R. 1838, to establish the Clear Creek National Recreation Area in San Benito and Fresno Counties, California, to designate the Joaquin Rocks Wilderness in such counties, and H.R. 2009, to provide for the conveyance of certain land inholdings owned by the United States to the Tucson Unified School District and to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* September 21, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Water, and Wildlife, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the proposed revisions to the Fish and Wildlife Service mitigation policy, 2:30 p.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* September 21, business meeting to consider an original bill entitled, “Miner’s Protection Act of 2016”, and an original bill entitled, “Retirement and Enhancement Savings Act of 2016”, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* September 20, business meeting to consider the nominations of Christopher Coons, of Delaware, and Ronald H. Johnson, of Wisconsin, both to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Seventy-first Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations, and Sung Y. Kim, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Philippines, Rena Bitter, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Kamala Shirin Lakhdir, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to Malaysia, and a routine list in the Foreign Service, all of the Department of State, Time to be announced, S-216, Capitol.

September 20, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of W. Stuart Symington, of Missouri, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Andrew Robert Young, of California, to be Ambassador to Burkina Faso, and Joseph R. Donovan Jr., of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Indonesia, all of the Department of State, 10 a.m., SD-419.

September 20, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine South Sudan, focusing on options in crisis, 2:45 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* September 20, to hold hearings to examine laboratory testing in the era of precision medicine, 10 a.m., SD-430.

September 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine exploring current practices in cosmetic development and safety, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* September 21, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine combatting the opioid epidemic, focusing on a review of anti-abuse efforts by Federal authorities and private insurers, 10 a.m., SD-342.

September 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine exploring a right to try for terminally ill patients, 10 a.m., SD-342.

September 22, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management, to hold hearings to examine agency regulatory guidance, 3 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* September 21, business meeting to consider S. 2953, to promote patient-centered care and accountability at the Indian Health Service, S.

3234, to amend the Native American Business Development, Trade Promotion, and Tourism Act of 2000, the Buy Indian Act, the Indian Trader Act, and the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to provide industry and economic development opportunities to Indian communities, and S. 3261, to establish a business incubators program within the Department of the Interior to promote economic development in Indian reservation communities, 2 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* September 20, to hold hearings to examine consolidation and competition in the United States seed and agrochemical industry, 10 a.m., SD-226.

September 21, Subcommittee on Immigration and the National Interest, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Administration’s fiscal year 2017 refugee resettlement program, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

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### House Committees

*Committee on Agriculture,* September 22, Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry, hearing entitled “Rehabilitation of the Chesapeake Bay: Healing in the Bay the Voluntary Way”, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Armed Services,* September 21, Full Committee, hearing entitled “15 Years after 9-11: The State of the Fight Against Islamic Terrorism”, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

September 21, Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces, hearing entitled “Seapower and Projection Forces in the South China Sea”, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget,* September 21, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Restoring the Trust for Families and Working-Age Americans”, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* September 21, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education, hearing entitled “Supplanting the Law and Local Education Authority Through Regulatory Fiat”, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

September 22, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions, hearing entitled “Discussion Draft to Modernize Multiemployer Pensions”, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* September 21, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 2566, the “Improving Rural Call Quality and Reliability Act of 2016”; H.R. 2669, the “Anti-Spoofing Act of 2016”; H.R. 1192, the “National Diabetes Clinical Care Commission Act”; H.R. 1209, the “Improving Access to Maternity Care Act”; H.R. 1877, the “Mental Health First Aid Act of 2015”; H.R. 2713, the “Title VIII Nursing Workforce Reauthorization Act of 2015”; H.R. 3537, the “Synthetic

Drug Control Act of 2015”; and H.R. 4365, the “Protecting Patient Access to Emergency Medications Act of 2016” (continued), 10 a.m., HVC–210.

September 22, Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade; and Subcommittee on Energy and Power, joint hearing entitled “Midterm Review and Update on the Corporate Average Fuel Economy Program and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Standards for Motor Vehicles”, 10 a.m., HVC–210.

September 22, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, hearing entitled “Modernizing the Telephone Consumer Protection Act”, 11 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

September 23, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Bioresearch Labs and Inactivation of Dangerous Pathogens”, 9 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, September 21, Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance, hearing entitled “The Future of Housing in America: A Better Way to Increase Efficiencies for Housing Vouchers and Create Upward Economic Mobility”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

September 21, Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled “Corporate Governance: Fostering a System that Promotes Capital Formation and Maximizes Shareholder Value”, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

September 22, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Annual Report of the Financial Stability Oversight Council”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

September 22, Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled “Examining the Agenda of Regulators, SROs, and Standards-Setters for Accounting, Auditing, and Municipal Securities”, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

September 23, Subcommittee on Monetary Policy and Trade, hearing entitled “The Financial Stability Board’s Implications for U.S. Growth and Competitiveness”, 9:15 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, September 22, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing entitled “Diplomacy and Security in the South China Sea: After the Tribunal”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

September 22, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, markup on H.R. 2189, the “Walter Patterson and Werner Foerster Justice and Extradition Act”; and H.R. 3833, to require a regional strategy to address the threat posed by Boko Haram, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, September 21, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Stopping the Next Attack: How to Keep Our City Streets from Becoming the Battleground”, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

September 22, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency, hearing entitled “Identifying the Enemy: Radical Islamist Terror”, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, September 21, Full Committee, hearing on the Impeachment Articles Referred on John Koskinen, Part III, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

September 22, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Oversight of United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement”, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

September 22, Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law, hearing entitled “Treating the Opioid Epidemic: The State of Competition in the Markets for Addiction Medicine”, 2 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

September 23, Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice, hearing entitled “The Ultimate Civil Right: Examining the Hyde Amendment and the Born Alive Infants Protection Act”, 9 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, September 21, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Impacts of the Obama CEQ’s Final Guidance for GHG Emissions and the Effects of Climate Change”, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

September 21, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “The Status of the Federal Government’s Management of Wolves”, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

September 21, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 564, “Endangered Salmon and Fisheries Predation Prevention Act”; H.R. 2387, the “Alaska Native Veterans Land Allotment Equity Act”; H.R. 5780, the “Utah Public Lands Initiative Act”; H.R. 5984, the “Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians Water Rights Settlement Act”; and S. 3028, the “Daniel J. Evans Olympic National Park Wilderness Act”, 5 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

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*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, September 21, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Reviewing the Rising Price of EpiPens”, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

September 22, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Examining Preservation of State Department Federal Records” (continued); and possible business meeting to consider a resolution and report recommending that the House of Representatives find Bryan Pagliano in contempt of Congress for refusal to comply with a subpoena duly issued by the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, in the event that the witness fails to appear at the hearing, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

September 22, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Examining Misconduct and Mismanagement at the National Park Service”, 1 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

September 22, Subcommittee on Information Technology, hearing entitled “Closing the Talent Gap in Federal IT”, 3 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

September 22, Subcommittee on Government Operations, hearing entitled “Examining Billion Dollar Waste through Improper Payments”, 3 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

September 23, Subcommittee on Transportation and Public Assets, hearing entitled “Vacant Federal Properties”, 9 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

September 23, Subcommittee on Government Operations, hearing entitled “Reviewing the Tennessee Valley

Authority's Prohibition on Houseboats", 9 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules*, September 21, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 5931, the "Prohibiting Future Ransom Payments to Iran Act", 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, September 21, Subcommittee on Oversight; and Subcommittee on Energy, joint hearing entitled "Examining Misconduct and Intimidation of Scientists by Senior DOE Officials", 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

September 21, Full Committee, markup on the "To Research, Evaluate, Assess, and Treat Astronauts Act"; the "Cybersecurity Responsibility and Accountability Act of 2016"; and H.R. 5829, the "ADVISE Now Act", 1 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, September 21, Full Committee, hearing entitled "An Examination of FEMA's Limited Role in Local Land Use Development Decisions", 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, September 21, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 5047, the "Protecting Veterans' Educational Choice Act of 2016"; H.R. 5428, the "Military Residency Choice Act"; H.R. 4757, to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the eligibility for headstones, markers, and medallions furnished by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for deceased individuals who were awarded the Medal of Honor and are buried in private cemeteries; H.R. 5166, the "WINGMAN Act"; H.R. 3216, the "VET Act"; H.R. 4150, the "Department of Veterans Affairs Emergency Medical Staffing Re-

cruitment and Retention Act"; H.R. 5099, to establish a pilot program on partnership agreements to construct new facilities for the Department of Veterans Affairs; H.R. 5162, the "Vet Connect Act of 2016"; H.R. 5392, the "No Veterans Crisis Line Call Should Go Unanswered Act"; H.R. 5399, the "Ethical Patient Care for Veterans Act of 2016"; and H.R. 5600, the "No Hero Left Untreated Act", 10:45 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, September 21, Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing entitled "Understanding Social Security's Solvency Challenge", 10 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

September 21, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 5879, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the credit for production from advanced nuclear power facilities; H.R. 5406, the "Helping Ensure Accountability, Leadership, and Trust in Tribal Healthcare Act"; H.R. 5204, the "Stop Taxing Death and Disability Act"; and H.R. 4220, the "Water and Agriculture Tax Reform Act of 2015", 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

### Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe*: September 22, to hold hearings to examine atrocities in Iraq and Syria, focusing on relief for survivors and accountability for perpetrators, 10 a.m., 2200, Rayburn Building.

September 22, Full Committee, to receive a briefing on Moldova at a crossroads, 4 p.m., 2456, Rayburn Building.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Tuesday, September 20

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 5325, Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at 2:15 p.m.

*(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)*

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

12 p.m., Tuesday, September 20

## House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Consideration of the following measures under suspension of the rules: (1) H.R. 670—Special Needs Trust Fairness and Medicaid Improvement Act; (2) H.R. 5963—Supporting Youth Opportunity and Preventing Delinquency Act, as amended; (3) H.R. 4887—To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 23323 Shelby Road in Shelby, Indiana, as the “Richard Allen Cable Post Office”; (4) H.R. 5150—To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3031 Veterans Road West in Staten Island, New York, as the “Leonard Montalto Post Office Building”; (5) H.R. 5309—To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 401 McElroy Drive in Oxford, Mississippi, as the “Army First Lieutenant Donald C. Carwile Post Office Building”; (6) H.R. 5356—To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14231 TX—150 in Coldspring, Texas, as the “E. Marie Youngblood Post Office”; (7) H.R. 5591—To designate the facility of the

United States Postal Service located at 810 N US Highway 83 in Zapata, Texas, as the “Zapata Veterans Post Office”; (8) H.R. 5612—To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2886 Sandy Plains Road in Marietta, Georgia, as the “Marine Lance Corporal Squire Skip Wells Post Office Building”; (9) H.R. 5676—To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6300 N. Northwest Highway in Chicago, Illinois, as the “Officer Joseph P. Cali Post Office Building”; (10) H.R. 5798—To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1101 Davis Street in Evanston, Illinois, as the “Abner J. Mikva Post Office Building”; (11) H.R. 5889—To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1 Chalan Kanoa VLG in Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands, as the “Segundo T. Sablan and CNMI Fallen Military Heroes Post Office Building”; (12) H.R. 4419—District of Columbia Judicial Financial Transparency Act; (13) H.R. 5037—District of Columbia Courts and Public Defender Service Voluntary Separation Incentive Payments Act; (14) H.R. 5687—GAO Mandates Revision Act of 2016; (15) House Amendment to S. 1550—Program Management Improvement Accountability Act, as amended; (16) H.R. 5690—GAO Access and Oversight Act of 2016; (17) H.R. 5785—To amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for an annuity supplement for certain air traffic controllers; (18) H.R. 5625—Modernizing Government Travel Act; (19) H.R. 6004—MGT Act; (20) H.R. 5713—Sustaining Healthcare Integrity and Fair Treatment Act of 2016, as amended; (21) H.R. 3957—Emergency Citrus Disease Response Act of 2016; (22) H.R. 5659—ESRD Choice Act of 2016, as amended; (23) H.R. 5613—CAH Act of 2016, as amended; (24) H.R. 5320—Social Security Must Avert Identity Loss (MAIL) Act of 2016; (25) H.R. 5946—United States Appreciation for Olympians and Paralympians Act of 2016; (26) H.R. 2285—Prevent Trafficking in Cultural Property Act; (27) H.R. 5523—Clyde-Hirsch-Sowers RESPECT Act; (28) H.R. 6007—To amend title 49, United States



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H.R. 5147—BABIES Act; (33) H.R. 6014—To direct the Federal Aviation Administration to allow certain construction or alteration of structures by State departments of transportation without requiring an aeronautical study, and for other purposes, as amended; (34) H.R. 3937—To designate the building utilized as a United States courthouse located at 150 Reade Circle in Greenville, North Carolina, as the “Judge Randy D. Doub United States Courthouse”; and (35) H.R. 5859—Community Counterterrorism Preparedness Act, as amended.

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